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THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA met in its Seventy-Eighth Annual Session, Tuesday, November 10th, 1891, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M., in the Presbyterian Church, Durham, N. C., and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, Rev. Alex. Sprunt, from Acts 10:42—"And He commanded us to preach unto the people."

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by Rev. Alex. Sprunt.

The following members were present during the sessions of the Synod.*

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
Thos. U. Faucette,		
J. Henry Smith, D. D.,	John A. Gilmer.	Greensboro, First.
H. T. Darnall,	Geo. W. Watts,	Durham.
Jas. L. Currie,		
D. I. Craig,	R. M. Denny,	Reidsville.
W. F. Wilhelm,		
	N. V. Ray,	Little River.
E. W. Smith,		
S. O. Hall,	J. V. Price,	Madison.
	Hiram P. Foard,	Leakesville.
R. W. Culbertson,[2]	J. A. McLean,	Bethel,
	D. E. Albright,	Buffalo,
W. R. Coppedge,[3]		
E. P. Davis,	J. M. Rogers,	Winston,
J. H. Lacy[2]		
G. A. Wilson,	S. K. Scott,	Hawfields.

*The figure after a name denotes the day a member takes his seat.

Of the Presbytery of Orange the following ministers were absent: C. A. Morrow, W. P. McCorkle, J. J. Harrell—3.

The following churches were not represented: Burlington, Stony Creek, Spring-

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Ministers.	Ruling Elders.	Churches.
	D. C. Murray,	Cross Roads.
J. E. Fogartie,[2]	C. W. Johnston,	New Hope.
J. C. Dinwiddie,		
W. S. Campbell,	J. W. Lewis,	Milton
	L. M. Stewart,	Alamance.
	W. B. Hamner,	Lexington.
S. G. Walker[3] (col'd)	15	
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II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

J. Rumple, D. D.,[2]	E. B. Neave,[2]	Salisbury.
	S. W. Stimson,	Statesville.
Wm. W. Pharr, D. D.,	J. R. McNeely,	Centre.
J. P. Marion,	J. A. Gilmer,	Morganton.
J. M. Wharey, D. D.,		
C. M. Payne, D. D.,	A. N. McNinch,	Concord, First.
C. A. Munroe,		
J. A. Ramsay,	J. G. Hall,[2]	Hickory.
W. R. McLelland,	A. C. Robinson,	Bethesda.
R. S. Arrowood,	Dr. J. G. Ramsay,	Third Creek.
E. E. Presley,		
J. B. Shearer, D. D.,		
C. Miller,		
J. G. Anderson,[3]		
A. T. Graham,	W. S. Graves,	Davidson College.
P. H. Dalton,		
D. Munroe,		
	J. H. Greenlee,	Turkey Cove.
C. W. Maxwell,		
W. H. White,[2]		

wood, Speedwell, Hillsboro, Eno, Fairfield, Wentworth, Midway, Graham, Westminster, Chapel Hill, High Point, Grier's, Red House, Worthville, Ashboro, Jamestown, Bethesda, Bethlehem, Mebanesville, Mt. Airy, Oak Forest, Yanceyville, Cahah—25.

Of the Presbytery of Concord the following ministers were absent: B. L. Beall, W. A. Wood, D. D., L. McKinnon, D. D., H. G. Gilland, A. L. Crawford, J. M. Greenlee, J. W. Davis, D. D.—7.

The following churches were not represented: Prospect, Mooresville, Lenoir, Bethany, Tabor, Troutmans, Fifth Creek, Elmwood, Concord, (Iredelle,) Clio, Unity, Franklin, South River, Rocky River, Zion, Poplar Tent, Taylorsville, Wilkesboro, Mocksville, Newton, Shiloh, Sherrill's Ford, Glen Alpine, Marion, Old Fort,

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MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
J. C. Kennedy,		
R. W. Boyd,		
20	C. M. B. Goodnight,[2]	Bethphage.
	A. F. Goodman,	Thyatira.
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III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

	H. H. Hodgin,	Antioch.
	D. P. McKinnon,	Ashpole.
D. D. McBryde,		
	P. C. Shaw,	Bethesda.
H. G. Hill, D. D.,		
D. Fairley,[3]		
	L. McDonald,	Big Rockfish.
Joseph Evans,		
J. S. Black,		
A. R. Shaw,		
P. R. Law,		
A. Currie,		
J. M. Clark,	Daniel Watson,[2]	Centre.
W. F. Thom,[2]		
G. A. Hough,		
	W. P. Fife,	Fayetteville.
D. N. McLauchlin,		
Chalmers Moore,		
	J. F. McFadyen,	Long Creek.
	J. A. McPherson,[2]	McPherson.
John McA. Rose,		
13	John A. Womack,[2]	Pittsboro.
	P. McRea,	Smyrna.
	D. R. McIver,	Salem.
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Siloam, Greenlee, Gilwood, Norwood, Lebanon, Forest, Beulah, Blowing Rock, New Salem, Back Creek, Elk Park.—36.

Of the Presbytery of Fayetteville the following ministers were absent: J. P. McPherson, A. McKay, D. D., A. McMillan, James McQueen, A. McQueen, A. N. Ferguson, K. McIntyre, K. A. McLeod, J. W. Johnston, M. N. McIver, M. McG. Shields.—11.

The following churches were not represented: Barbecue, Bethel, Bensalem, Bethlehem, Bluff, Buffalo, Carthage, Calah, Cameron, Culdee, Cypress, Church of the Covenant, China Grove, Dunn, Ellerbe Springs, Euphronia, Flat Branch, Gulf, Galatia, Haywood, Iona, Jackson Springs, Jonesboro, Laurinburg, Lebanon, Lumber-

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IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	Ruling Elders.	Churches.
Colin Shaw,[2]	J. C. McMillan,	Mt. Zion.
	W. I. Hall,	Oakplain.
A. McFadyen,[2]	Jas. M. Whittet,	Beth Car.
Geo. W. McMillan,		
Peyton H. Hoge, D. D.,	B. G. Worth,[2]	Wilmington, First.
P. McIntyre,	4	
A. D. McClure,		
W. McC. Miller,		
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V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

	Col. John E. Brown,	Charlotte, First.
R. Z. Johnston,[2]		
Wm. E. McIlwain,		
R. A. Miller,	W. P. Craven,	Hopewell.
C. W. Robinson,	R. C. G. Love,[2]	Gastonia.
T. A. Wharton,		
W. S. P. Bryan,		
J. L. Williamson,		
W. B. Arrowood,	J. K. Rankin,	Sharon.
	J. S. Reid,	Mathews.
Roger Martin,		
W. C. C. Foster,		
R. C. Reid, D. D.,	D. W. Oates,	Charlotte, Second.
Frank D. Hunt,		
	J. M. Gaston,	New Hope.
M. R. Kirkpatrick,		

ton, Laurel Hill, Lumber Bridge, Mark's Creek, Mt. Tabor, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Macedonia, Midway. Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pisgah, Maxton, Pee Dee, Philadelphia, Phillippi, Pocket, Red Spring, Rockingham, Sardis, Sharon, St. Paul, Sherwood, Shiloh, St. Andrew's, Sandy Grove, Tirzah, Union, White Hill.—53.

Of the Presbytery of Wilmington the following ministers were absent: D. B Black, James Kelly, B. F. Marable, D. D, K. McDonald, J. D. Standford, J. J. Hines, Michael Jerkins (col'd.)—7.

The following churches were not represented: Mt. Williams, White Oak, Burgess, Hopewell, Pike, Keith, Rockfish, Clinton, Mt. Olive, Bladenboro, Clarkton Elizabethtown, Mt. Horeb, Whiteville, Black River, Caswell, Beulah, Chinquepin, Hebron, Harmony, South River, White Hall, Grove, Duplin Road, Union, St. Andrews, Jacksonville, White Plains, Topsail, Cobb Mills, Warsaw, Croatan, Seminary, Morehead City, Richlands.—35.

Of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg the following ministers were absent: J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, Wm. Graves, A. W. Miller, D. D., L.L. D., G. D. Parks, J. J.

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Ministers.	Ruling Elders.	Churches.
Geo. A. Sparrow,[2]		
J. T. Wade,	W. C. Barnett,	Pineville.
	D. C. McDonald,	Waxhaw.
Jonas Barclay,[3]	Dr. F. O. Hawley,	Polkton.
J. M. Grier,	J. R. Reid,	Lowell.
J. S. Morrow,[2] (col'd.)		
18	Dr. W. W. Davis,	Belmont.
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VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

J. S. Watkins, D. D.,	James Dinwiddie,	Raleigh, First.
J. N. H. Summerell,	N. B. Daniel,	Oak Hill.
S. H. Isler,	A. D. Taylor,	Oakland.
Alex. Sprunt,	R. B. Smith,	Oxford.
Carr. Moore,[2]		
R. P. Pell,	H. C. Nelson,[2]	Shiloh.
J. B. Swann,		
W. D. Morton, D. D.,	Sam'l Watkins,	Henderson.
Edward Mack,	T. B. Hyman,[2]	Goldsboro.
F. H. Johnston, D. D.,	N. D. Morton,[2]	Nahalah.
Joseph Rennie,	8	
E. E. Bigger,[2]		
A. J. McKelway,		
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Kennedy, D. T. Towler, D. P. Robinson, E. A. Sample, J. R. McAlpine, S. C. Boyce, Wm. J. Erdman, M. A. Henderson, R. S. Brown, J. B. Cochran, John W. Moore, H. M. Dixon, W. J. Williams, L. H. Baldwin.—19.

The following churches were not represented: Brevard, Pleasant Hill, Mallard Creek, Amity, Lincolnton, First, Dallas, Goshen, Paw Creek, William's Memorial, Unity, Steele Creek, Banks, Franklin, Morrison, Asheville First, Huntersville Sugar Creek, Philadelphia, Long Creek, Mills River, Providence, Olney, Hendersonville, Waynesville, Little Brittain, Ramah, Wadesboro, Morven, Rutherfordton, Monroe, Davidson River, Hiwassee, Bethel (Haywood), Bethlehem, Machpelah, Shelby, Sandy Plains, Castanea Grove, Swannanoa, Red Oak, Union, Hephzibah, Oak Forest, Bryson City, King's Mountain, Duncan's Creek, Shiloh, Robinson, Mulberry, Graham St., Bethel (Mecklenburg county), Drusilla, Newell's, Dillsboro Stevens, Waco, Ironton, Weaverton, Bethany (col'd).—59.

Of the Presbytery of Albemarle the following ministers were absent: R. Burwell, D. D., C. G. Vardelle, A. H. McArn.—3.

The following churches were not represented: Cann Memorial, Geneva, Grassy Creek, Greenville, Kenly, La Grange, Littleton, Louisburg, New Bern, Nut Bush, Raleigh Second, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Warrenton, Washington, Wilson.—16.

Organization. Corresponding Members.

Ministers present during the Sessions of the Synod, 88; Ruling Elders, 62; Total 150.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, was chosen Moderator, and Rev. T. A. Wharton, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, and Ruling Elder Hiram P. Foard, of Leaksville, were chosen temporary clerks.

Rev. S. I. Woodbridge and Thos. H. Law, D. D., of the Synod of South Carolina, and Rev. Dr. Painter, of the Synod of Illinois, were invited to sit as corresponding members, and were introduced to the Synod.

The hours of daily Sessions were fixed from 9 A. M. to 12 M.; from 2:30 P. M. to 5 P. M., and from 7:30 P. M. to adjourn at will.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 A. M., and was closed with prayer.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, November 11th, 1891.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod convened at 9 A. M., Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., in the chair, and was opened with prayer by Rev. A. Currie.

The minutes of last evening's Session were read and approved.

Rev. A. L. Phillips, of the Synod of Alabama, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and was introduced to the Synod.

The reading of the minutes of the last Annual Session was dispensed with.

The Moderator announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. BILLS AND OVERTURES.—Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., E. P. Davis, C. M. Payne, D. D., and Ruling Elder, J. S. Reid.

Standing Committees.

2. Judicial Committee.—Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., G. A. Wilson, W. McC. Miller, W. B. Arrowood, and Ruling Elders, Col. John E. Brown, Dr. J. G. Ramsay and Judge J. A. Gilmer.

3. Address to the Churches on the State of Religion.—Rev. R. C. Reid, D. D., J. N. H. Summerell, and Ruling Elder J. K. Rankin.

4. Systematic Beneficence.—Rev. F. D. Hunt, A. R. Shaw, and Ruling Elder Sam'l Watkins.

3. Minutes of the General Assembly.—Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, P. H. Hoge, D. D., J. C. Dinwiddie, and Ruling Elders J. W. Lewis and John A. Gilmer.

6. Union Theological Seminary.—Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., R. S. Arrowood, and Ruling Elder Dr. W. P. Craven.

7.—Treasurer's Books.—Rev. R. P. Pell, D. Munson, and Ruling Elders J. R. McNeely and E. B. Neave.

8. Report of Trustees of Synod.—Rev. S. O. Hall, Joseph Evans, and Ruling Elder D. W. Oates.

9. Devotional Exercises.—Rev. H. T. Darnell, and Ruling Elder J. W. Watts.

10. Statistical Reports.—Rev. P. R. Law, A. T. Graham, and Ruling Elder J. M. Rogers.

11. Synodical Records.—Rev. R. W. Boyd and Rev. J. L. Williamson.

12. Leave of Absence.—Rev. W. C. C. Foster, W. S. Campbell, Joseph Rennie, and Ruling Elders A. McNinch and J. R. Reid.

Moderator announced the following Committees on

PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS.

Orange.—Rev. R. A. Miller and Wm. W. Pharr, D. D.

Concord.—Rev. G. A. Hough and J. W. McMillan.

Fayetteville.—Rev. J. L. Currie and J. B. Swann.

Appeal.

WILMINGTON.—Rev. W. F. Wilhelm and C. Miller.

MECKLENBURG.—Rev. Chalmers Moore and P. McIntyre.

ALBEMARLE.—Rev. C. W. Robinson and Thos. W. Faucett.

An appeal of William Alderman against the decision of Fayetteville Presbytery was received and referred to the Judicial Committee, together with the "records" in the case. The appeal is as follows:

To the Synod of North Carolina:

From the order made by Presbytery October 10th, 1891, at Dunn, N. C., upon the report of the Committee composed of Revs. Hill and Evans and Elder Shaw.

William Alderman, the prosecutor, appeals to the Synod of North Carolina, and assigns the following as the grounds of his appeal:

1. That the charges preferred against Rev. J. S. Black are not barred by the statute of limitation, for that they were first preferred at fall meeting of Presbytery, 1889, at St. Paul's, when Presbytery refused to entertain them upon the ground that the said Alderman was at that time under investigation himself in consequence of certain charges preferred against him at the *same meeting* of Presbytery by Rev. J. S. Black.

The Committee appointed to try the case, Rev. J. S. Black vs. Wm. Alderman, met at Sherwood church, December 17th, 1889, when and where they found the charges preferred by Rev. J. S. Black against William Alderman were not true

The charges preferred by William Alderman against Rev. J. S. Black could not be called up for the reason that the Commission, though they adopted their report to Presbytery on December 17th, 1889, finding that the charges preferred by Rev. J. S. Black against William Alderman were not true, did not submit said report to Presbytery *until the fall meeting of Presbytery at Carthage in 1890.*

William Alderman called up his charges against Rev. J. S. Black at the adjourned meeting of Presbytery in Wilmington during the meeting of Synod in the fall of 1890, the first meeting after his acquittal and Presbytery refused to consider them upon the ground that they were barred by Rules of Discipline, C. V., Section 168, Par. 8. As it was not possible for this appellant to be present at the called meeting in Wilmington he wrote to the Stated Clerk to learn the action of the Presbytery, and in reply he informed him that he had not yet received the minutes from the temporary clerk.

Appeal.

The Stated Clerk afterwards sent him a copy of the order in the cause made by Presbytery, upon the receipt of which he immediately gave notice of an appeal to the Synod. Whereupon the Stated Clerk notified him that his appeal could not be allowed in-as-much as he had failed to give the notice within ten days after the adoption of the order.

At the spring meeting 1891 of Presbytery at Laurel Hill church this appellant again called up the same charges and asked leave to prefer three additional or new charges, upon which Presbytery made the following order: "Owing to the disposition made of the case at the adjourned meeting at Wilmington * * * there are no charges pending against Rev. J. S. Black," thus refusing to entertain the original charges or to allow the new ones to be preferred.

At the fall meeting in 1891 of Presbytery at Dunn, N. C., this appellant preferred the same charges and three new ones against Rev. J. S. Black and asked that a Commission be appointed to try him.

Whereupon Presbytery referred the matter to a Committee from the adoption of whose report by Presbytery this appeal is taken.

The charges, as originally preferred, were left on file in the Presbytery with the Clerk, and the Statute of limitation could not possibly run against the charges during the disability of William Alderman to prosecute by reason of laboring under charges of which he was afterwards acquitted.

This appellant has made all possible diligence to have the Presbytery investigate the charges against Rev. J. S. Black as soon as he became free to prosecute and has called up the same at each meeting of Presbytery since that time, and he does not feel that courts of his Church which he loves and venerates, will discriminate between a minister and a lay-member by investigating charges preferred against a lay-member and refusing to investigate charges preferred against a minister at the *same meeting* of Presbytery! Nor does he feel that the Church could shield the minister from the investigation of such

Serious charges upon a mere *technical point* even if it could be taken advantage of, as it surely cannot be in this case.

That if the records of the Session of Presbytery at Carthage, in the fall of 1890, indicate that William Alderman withdrew the charges against Rev. J. S. Black they are misleading, and if Rev. T. P. Barclay made any statements as to representation of William Alderman he was absolutely unauthorized to do so, as he was never at any time authorized by the appellant to make any statement for him nor to represent him in any capacity whatever; that this appellant made no such *confession* as Rev. T. P. Barclay is said to have represented to Presbytery, and that Elder Geo. P. McNeill informed

this appellant that he was not even present at said meeting and therefore could not have confirmed any statement made on that occasion by Rev. T. P. Barclay.

That if the Commission appointed to try William Alderman preferred new charges against him he was never apprised of such fact nor notified of the nature of such charges, or that any charges or specifications have in fact been preferred against him—but even if such charges have been preferred they would have constituted a different case entirely against this appellant and could not have been converted into any matter of defence in this particular case of Presbyterian Church of United States vs. Rev. J. S. Black.

That the facts remain that this appellant was acquitted of the charges against him by Order of Presbytery, and the charges against Rev. J. S. Black are yet pending despite his success in avoiding an investigation up to this time! and Presbytery has not the power to consolidate two separate and distinct actions, but each should be tried upon *its own merits*.

That the circular referred to in the report appealed from was simply an explanation in justification of this appellant which he first attempted to have published in the official organ of his church, *The N. C. Presbyterian*, and which he was forced to issue, as the paper refused to give him the right to explain and correct in its columns.

That it is a misjoinder of actions to attempt to connect said circular with the records of this case, as it was an explanation and intended for the public and not a part of the records in this case, and if said circular raised a question of veracity between Rev. T. P. Barclay and Elder G. P. McNeill and this appellant which requires investigation, it should be investigated in a separate action from this one, and this appellant is ready, willing and anxious to meet investigation.

WILLIAM ALDERMAN,

This October 10th, 1891. Appellant.

An Overture from a member of the Synod was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures. It is as follows:

To the Venerable, the Synod of North Carolina:

The undersigned, a Commissioner from the Presbytery of Mecklenburg to the General Assembly in Session at Birmingham, deems it his duty to call your attention to the fact that your Overture to the General Assembly adopted at Wilmington, contained on page 426 of your published minutes, asking the Assembly to "append a note to its statistical forms, instructing

Sessions to include in their report of salary actually paid, the rent value of manses, owned or rented " having been referred to the Standing Committee on Publication, was on their recommendation, answered in the negative (Minutes of Assembly, page 252), while Overture No 27 from the Presbytery of Suwanee "asking whether a church which furnishes a manse for the pastor, should include the estimated rental of it in the amount reported as salary to him ?" having been referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures, was on their recommendation, answered in the affirmative (page 243 of the Minutes of the Assembly.) In the judgment of the undersigned the two Overtures ask the same question, and the action of the Assembly is directly contradictory. If this be so, the matter stands where it did before, and our Supreme Court has been led into a contradictory deliverance. The undersigned is of the opinion that this arose simply from neglect in the matter of reference. If one Overture was sent to the Committee on Bills and Overtures, the other should have been also. The undersigned begs also to add that having been engaged in Committee work in the General Assembly, he did not at that time notice the contradiction, and he respectfully suggests that the Synod shall again overture the General Assembly in Session at Hot Springs to make a consistent deliverance on the subject, calling attention to the contradiction existing at present.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. PLUMER BRYAN.

The Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries were presented and referred to the Committee on Statistical Reports. (Appendix, Paper A.)

The Narratives on the State of Religion, from the Presbyteries, were presented, and referred to the Committee to prepare an Address to the Churches.

The reports on Systematic Beneficence from the Presbyteries were presented and referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence. (Appendix, Paper B.)

The Annual Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the Committee on Union Theological Seminary. (Appendix, Paper C.)

This Committee was also instructed to nominate persons to fill the vacancies which occur in the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

The Rev. J. McA. Rose, of the Synod of South Carolina, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Presbyterial Records were presented and referred to the respective Committees on Presbyterial Records.

The Annual report of the Trustees of Synod, Col. John E. Brown, Chairman, was read and referred to the Committee on Trustees of the Synod. It is as follows:

To the Synod held at Durham N. C., November 10th, 1891:

The Trustees of your Venerable body respectfully report:

That they held their annual meeting at Charlotte, November 7th, 1891, that they have no funds or property of value in their haads belouging to the Synod, and that nothing has transpired during the Synodical year 1891, requiring action on their part.

The Committee upon this report was also instructed to nominate persons to fill the vacancies which occur at this meeting in the Trustees of the Synod.

It was made the Order of the Day to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 o'clock, A. M., to hear the report of the Committee on the Bible Cause; and that, in connection therewith, an address by Rev. Thos. H. Law, D. D., District Superintendent of the American Bible Society.

It was made the Second Order of the Day to-morrow (Thursday) morning to hear the report of the Committee on Church and Christian Education.

The following Overtures from the Presbytery of Wilmington was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures:

The Presbytery of Wilmington regretting the action of the last General Assembly in not giving full consideration to a subject of such importance as the report of the Committee of Bills and Overtures on the qualifications for licensure and ordination, respectfully overtures the next Assembly to send down to the Presbyteries for discussion and criticism, if not for adoption, an Overture of like tenure to Paper No. 1 reported to the last Assembly. And inasmuch as a memorial to the last Assembly objected to the sending down of the proposed amendment to the Constitution on the

ground that no Synod had overtured the Assembly for the change, the Presbytery respectfully overtures the Synod to take action upon the subject.

By order of the Presbytery.

Attest: A. McFADYEN,
White Hall, N. C., Oct. 17th, 1891. Stated Clerk.

An Overture from the same Presbytery was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Evangelistic Labor. It is as follows:

Resolved, That Presbytery overture Synod through its Evangelistic Committee to provide a local Evangelist for Carteret, Craven and Jones counties as missionary territory that we are unable to supply.

By order of the Presbytery. A. McFADYEN,
White Hall, N. C., Oct. 16th, 1891. Stated Clerk.

It was make the Second Order of the Day for to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon to hear the report of the Agent of Education.

It was made the First Order of the Day for to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon to hear the Report of the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions; and in connection therewith to hear Rev. M. H. Houston, D. D., Secretary of the Assembly's Executive Committee of Foreign Missions.

It was ordered that the first half hour of this afternoon's Session be devoted to hearing Rev. S. I. Woodbridge, Missionary to China.

Rev. C. Miller was appointed Agent of Sustentation pro tem.

An Overture from the Presbytery of Mecklenburg was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures. It is as follows:

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully overtures the Synod, in view of the great responsibility of the Church to the colored people to set apart a time for the consideration of this subject during the approaching meeting at Durham, and if the way be clear to appoint a permanent Committee of Colored Evangelistic Work.

By order of Presbytery.

Attest: R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Asheville, N. C., Aug. 14th, 1891. Stated Clerk.

The following Overture from the same Presbytery was presented and referred to the Committee on Evangelistic Labor.

To the Synod of North Carolina—Greeting:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully overtures the Venerable Synod of North Carolina in Session at Durham, as follows:

In view of our large extent of territory stretching far beyond the reach of our pastors confined by their own charges, and in view of the widely scattered condition of our churches and people in the mountain counties, and in consideration of the liberal response of our churches in behalf of Synod's Evangelistic Work, the Presbytery requests Synod to give to this Presbytery the whole time of Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Evangelist, who shall be entirely under the control of this Presbytery while in its bounds.

By order of Presbytery.

Attest: R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Swannanoa Church, Sept. 19th, 1891. Stated Clerk.

An overture from the Presbytery of Albemarle was presented and referred to the Committee on Evangelistic Labor. It is as follows:

The Presbytery of Albemarle overtures the Synod of North Carolina to instruct its Evangelistic Committee to aid it in supporting an Evangelist in the counties of Pitt, Greene and Beaufort.

Attest: J. N. H. SUMMERELL,
Done in Presbytery, Nov. 12th, 1891. Stated Clerk.

It was made the First Order of the Day Friday morning to hear the report of the Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools.

The Synodical Historical Committee, Rev. J. Alston Ramsay, Chairman, reported that they had nothing of interest to present. The report was received and approved.

It was ordered that Synod hold its next regular meeting in the Presbyterian church, Statesville, N. C., on Tuesday, October 18th, 1892, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

Rev. E. A. Yates, of the Eastern N. C. Conference, M. E. Church, South, was invited to sit as a visiting brother, and was introduced to the Synod.

Courtesy. Reports.

An invitation from the Secretary of the Y. M. C A. tendering the Synod the use of its hall and rooms was read and acknowledged with thanks.

Rev. M. H. Houston, D. D., of the Synod of Kentucky, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and was introduced to the Synod.

Judge T. B. Womack was re-elected a Regent of the South Atlantic University, to serve three years.

The permanent Committee of Evangelistic Labor, Rev. Alex. Sprunt, Chairman, presented their annual report, which was received and approved, and the recommendations ordered to be taken up seriatim. (See full report, Appendix, Paper D.)

Synod took recess until 2:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After recess Synod met and resumed its business.

A letter was read from Geo. E. Wilson, Esqr., tendering his resignation as a Director of Union Theological Seminary. It was referred to the Committee on Union Theological Seminary.

The Committee on Statistical Reports, Rev. P. R. Law, Chairman, presented the following partial report, which was received and adopted.

"Your Committee finds in the report from the Presbytery of Albemarle that Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D. D., died March 6th 1891, and Rev. Geo. W. Ferrill died June 22nd, 1891, and recommends:

1. That Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D, and Ruling Elder Samuel Watkins be a Committee to prepare a memorial minute of Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D. D.

2 That Rev. Thos U. Faucette and Ruling Elder D. N. Morton prepare a memorial minute of Rev. G. W. Ferrill.

3. That these memorials be presented on Thursday evening in connection with the Synodical Communion.

Rev. John McA. Rose was reported as a member of Fayetteville Presbytery, and was enrolled.

A communication was read from Rev. E. M. Richardson, D. D., Secretary of Assembly's Executive Committee of Education, and was referred to Synod's Agent of Education.

The Order of the Day was taken up, and Synod heard Rev. S. I. Woodbridge concerning his work in China.

Rev. J. N. Craig, D. D., of the Synod of Memphis, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and was introduced to the Synod.

The unfinished business was then taken up, viz: Report of Committee of Evangelistic Labor.

The first item under Section 1, *Work and Policy*, was then adopted. It is as follows:

Synod recognizes that upon it and its Presbyteries is laid the responsibility for the evangelization of its territory, so far as it can be done by the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and in humble reliance upon the Head of the Church, receives this trust from His hand and pledges itself to its faithful prosecution.

It was made the Order of the Day to-morrow (Thursday) to hear Rev. A. L. Phillips, Secretary of the Assembly's Committee of Colored Evangelization.

Synod then took recess until 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Synod met after recess and resumed its business.

It was made the Second Order of the Day Friday morning to consider the interests of the Orphans' Home.

After devotional exercises, the Order of the Day was taken up, and interesting addresses upon Home Missions were delivered by Rev. Messrs. W. D. Morton, D. D., R. P. Pell, E. W. Smith and Wm. E. McIlwain.

A collection was taken for Synodical Missions amounting to $500.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 A. M. Closed with prayer.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, Nov. 12th, 1891.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, at 9 A. M. Opened with prayer by Rev. J. P. Marion.

The minutes of the Second Day's Session were read and approved.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, and the Synod was addressed by Rev. A. L. Phillips, Secretary of the Executive Committee of Colored Evangelization.

Further consideration of the subject of Colored Evangelization was made the Third Order of the Day Friday morning.

The Judicial Committee, Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

The Judicial Committee respectfully report that they have had the papers of the appeal of William Alderman vs. Fayetteville Presbytery, before them, and find that the said papers are in order, and the appeal regular. We recommend that it be tried by a Commission of Synod, and the following order be observed:

1. Reading of the record of the case.
2. The parties be heard; first the appellant, then the appellee, and the appellant conclude.
3. The vote then be taken.

The Moderator then appointed the following as a Commission to try the case:

Ministers—E. P. Davis, W. R. McLelland, J. C. Dinwiddie, Geo A. Sparrow, R. A. Miller, F. H. Johnston, D. D., J. L. Williamson, D. Munroe, W. B. Arrowood, R. P. Pell.

Ruling Elders—J. M. Rodgers, J. R. McNeely, R. C. G. Love, D. W. Oates, Dr. McLean, T. B. Hyman, J. S. Reid.

Rev. L. B. Twine, of South Atlantic Synod, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The unfinished business was then resumed, viz: Report of Committee of Evangelistic Labor.

After discussion and amendment the second item of Section 1 was adopted, and is as follows:

"It shall be the policy of the Synod in the prosecution of this work not to increase the force of general Evangelists now in the field, but retaining them for their great work of visiting, encouraging and building up our feeble churches and mission points to enlarge the work by adding a force of Home Missionaries in fields sufficiently small for efficient and permanent work, which local Evangelists shall become members of and be entirely under the control of the Presbytery in which the fields are located."

Rev. R. P. Moorman, of M. E. Church, South, was invited to sit as a visiting brother, and was introduced to the Synod.

Rev. Thos. H. Law, D. D., District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, then addressed the Synod in the interests of the Bible Cause.

The permanent Committee on the Bible Cause, Rev. C. Miller, Chairman, then presented their report, which was received and recommendations adopted, viz.:

1st. That Synod now declare that the Bible Cause is one of the most important to which we contribute.

2d. That all our ministers be urged to inform themselves more fully in regard to the work of the American Bible Society, and that they endeavor to awaken more interest among our people in this great cause.

3d. That all our churches be urged to contribute to the Bible Cause.

4th. That our ministers, Sunday School Superintendents and people generally be urged to co-operate with the Society in its commendable effort to put a Bible into the hands of every child that can read.

5th. We cordially commend Rev. T. H. Law, D. D., District Superintendent of the American Bible Society for North and South Carolina, to our ministers and people wherever he may go among us in the furtherance of this work.

(For full report see Appendix, D.)

The Synod then took recess until 2:30 P. M.

Foreign Missions.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, Chairman, presented their annual report, which was received and the diligence of the Committee commended. (Appendix D.)

Pending further action the Synod heard Rev. M. H. Houston, D. D., Secretary of the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions.

After an expression of opinion by the Agents of Foreign Missions in the various Presbyteries, the following resolution attached to the Committee's report was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina has heard Assembly's call for $150,000 and will endeavor to raise her fifth of it, $30,000.

A resolution looking to the employment of a Synodical Agent to raise funds for Foreign Missions, was presented, and placed upon the Docket for future consideration.

An invitation to an evening reception to be given to-morrow (Friday) evening by Mr and Mrs. B. M. Duke, was received and acknowledged with thanks.

Synod then took recess till 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

After devotional exercises and a sermon by Rev. J. S. Watkins, D D., the Synod united in the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The following minutes touching the death of ministers deceased since the last meeting of the Synod, were reported by their respective Committees.

Memorial of Deceased Ministers.

REV. JOSEPH MAYO ATKINSON, D. D.

The death of this beloved servant of Christ occurred suddenly on the 6th of March last at his home in Warrenton. This Synod desires in recording this brief tribute to his memory to express its sense of bereavement in the removal of a brother valued for long and faithful service in the Church on earth.

The older members of this body who were best acquainted with him and longest associated with him in social and ecclesiastical relations, will cherish his memory with peculiar tenderness on account of the singular purity of his character; the winning gentleness of his disposition and manners; and, above all, the child-like simplicity and uniform cheerfulness of his piety.

To these personal attractions is to be added the charm of a highly cultivated mind, so that it may be truly said of him that he was a most accomplished Christian gentleman.

His ministry of the gospel, both public and private, was characterized by fidelity and a sincere desire to promote the good of his fellowmen.

As a Presbyter he was conservative in counsel, yet always in full sympathy with every judicious measure for the advancement of the Master's Kingdom, and always cordial in his relations with his brethren and fellow-workers.

He was spared to serve the Church in her ministry about forty years, and received at last a sudden release from his earthly labors that he might enter into the rest that remaineth to God's people.

The Synod, sorrowing, yet bowing with submission to the divine will and praying that it may be sanctified to all concerned, hereby directs that this minute be spread upon the records and a copy forwarded to the family of the deceased brother.

REV. GEO. W. FERRILL.

Rev Geo. W. Ferrill was born in Camden county, N. C., on the 1st day of September, 1804, and died on the 22d day of June, 1891, at his home in Granville county, N. C., in the 87th year of his age, and in the sixtieth year of his ministry. He spent the greater part of his active labors as pastor and missionary within the bounds of the Presbytery of Orange, and prin-

cipally in Orange and Granville counties. His last charge was Geneva church, where, with the exception of a few years, he spent the whole of his ministerial life.

Father Ferrill was a plain, simple, practical, earnest Gospel preacher, successful in winning souls for Christ, and when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, he will no doubt receive a crown of righteousness and shine as the stars forever and ever.

The end of this aged servant of God was calm, peaceful and happy. He now rests from his labors, and his works follow him into the land of rest and glory.

We miss him, but his record is on high, and his rich inheritance is with the saints in light. Amen!

After the reading of these minutes, and touching remarks by various brethern, they were unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and the Synod was led in prayer by Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D.

The Stated Clerk was directed to transmit to the families of the deceased bretheren copies of the Memorials adopted, and to make the customary memorial record in the Book of Minutes.

The following persons were appointed to write letters of christian sympathy to brethren in affliction or danger.

Rev. W. F. Wilhem, write to Hon. A. M. Scales.
" D. D. McBryde, " Rev. N. McKay, D. D.
" H. G. Hill, D. D., " { " J. P. McPherson. " James McQueen.
" P. R. Law, " " A. McQueen.
" J. M. Wharey, " " L. M. McKinnon, D. D.
" A. Currie, " " Wm. Eldridge.
" J. Rumple, D. D., " " John W. Davis, D. D.

It was also ordered that in the prayer at the close of this session, special mention be made of Rev. John W. Davis, D. D., in view of the peculiar perils which surround him at this time.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet to-morrow at 9 A. M. Closed with prayer by Rev. J. Rumple, D. D.

FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, November 13th, 1891.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9 A. M. Opened with prayer by Rev. W. F. Wilhelm.

The minutes of the Third Day's Session were read and approved.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Chairman, presented the following partial report, which was received and adopted.

In answer to the Overture from Mecklenburg Presbytery in reference to Colored Evangelization, your Committee recommends that the overtures be granted; and that the Committee be instructed to make an annual report to the Synod in reference to this great interest of the Church.

The Board of Regents of the Orphans' Home, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., President, presented their annual report, which was received, and referred to a special Committee consisting of Rev. W. B. Arrowood, H. G. Hill, D. D., and Prof. W. H. Graves. (Appendix D.)

Rev. Mr. Rider, of the M. E. Church, South, was invited to sit as a visiting member, and was introduced to the Synod.

The unfinished business was then resumed, viz: Report of Committee on Evangelistic Labor.

The third article of Section 1 was then adopted and is as follows:

The importance of this work is so immense, and its results so far reaching that the Committee is authorized for the ensuing year to set apart a Financial Agent whose whole time may be devoted to the work of laying this cause upon the hearts and consciences of our churches and people, that there local Evangelists may be multiplied until there is no part of our State that is not reached by the influence of our Church.

Articles 1, 2, 3 and 4, of Section II, *Organization*, were then adopted and are as follows:

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The offices of Agent of Sustentation and Agent of Evangelistic Labor shall be discontinued, and Synod shall annually elect a Superintendent of Synodical Missions, who shall be, ex-officio, Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Synodical Committee; it shall be his duty to keep the churches and Presbyterial Committees informed of the state and needs of the work; to carry on all correspondence that is necessary for directing the movements of the Evangelists in the field, and for securing additional men when needed; to visit Presbyteries and churches in the interest of the work; to do the work of an Evangelist as time and opportunity permit, especially in the preparatory organization of new fields. He shall receive, collect and disburse all funds of the Committee, and shall submit his account in detail to the Committee once a year to be presented to the Synod with their annual report. His salary shall be the same as that of the General Evangelist.

The control of this work between the meetings of Synod shall, as heretofore, be in the hands of a Committee consisting of the Chairmen of the Committees of Home Missions in the different Presbyteries, one Elder from each Presbytery, the Financial Agent, and the Chairman elected by the Synod, but for convenience in the dispatch of ordinary business, it shall appoint a Sub-Committee of its own members, of which the Superintendent shall be ex-officio Chairman.

The Executive Committee shall meet as often as may be necessary, according to rules of its own adoption, but the general Committee shall ordinarily meet only once a year to prepare the report to Synod, but on the demand of any two members of the Executive Committee, or any six members of the general Committee, the Chairman shall call the general Committee together in special session, and its decision shall be final on all questions until the meeting of the Synod.

The Executive Committee shall submit all of its records to the General Committee at least once a year, and the General Committee shall report annually to the Synod upon the whole work done. It shall collect through the Chairman, information as to the work done by the Presbyteries, and in general embody all the results of Home Mission work within our bounds, as well as contributions to the work without our bounds, in its annual report to the Synod.

The Rev. Messrs. Bishop, Sandford, Finleyson, D. D., of North Carolina Conference, and Rev. Sam'l P. Jones, of the Georgia Conference, M. E. Church, South, were invited to sit as visiting brethren and introduced to the Synod.

The following brethren were appointed a permanent Committee on Colored Evangelization:

Report of Commission.

Rev. E. P. Davis, Chairman, Orange Presbytery, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. G. A. Hough, Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. Wm. H. White, Concord Presbytery, Rev. A. D. McClure, Wilmington Presbytery, Rev. J. H. Lacy, Orange Presbytery, Rev. A. J. McKilway, Albemarle Presbytery.

Synod then took recess till 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Commission appointed to hear the appeal of Wm. Alderman vs. Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. E. P. Davis, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

The Commission appointed by the Synod to try the judicial case of William Alderman against the Presbytery of Fayetteville desire to report to the Synod that the Commission met and was opened with prayer by the Rev. R. A. Miller. The following persons were present: Rev. E. P. Davis, R. A. Miller, W. R. McLellan, J. C. Dinwiddie, G. A. Sparrow, F. H. Johnston, D. D., J. L. Williamson, D. Munroe, W. B. Arrowood and R. P. Pell; with Ruling Elders J. M. Rodgers, J. R. McNeely, R. C. G. Love, D. W. Oates, Dr. J. A. McLean, T. B. Hyman and J. S. Reid.

Rev. J. C. Dinwiddie was chosen clerk.

The record of the cause was read and the parties heard, the appellant in writing and the appellee through Dr. H. G. Hill and Rev. P. R. Law. The roll was then called, the members expressed their opinion in the cause, and the Commission voted unanimously not to sustain the appeal.

The Committee on Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries, Rev. P. R. Law, Chairman, presented the following report, which was adopted:

1. The number of ministers in Orange Presbytery is 20, Concord 27, Fayetteville 24, Wilmington 14, Mecklenburg 37, Albemarle 16. Total 138.

2. The number of churches in Orange Presbytery is 40, Concord 49, Fayetteville 64, Wilmington 39, Mecklenburg 71, Albemarle 24. Total 287.

3. The number of Licentiates in Orange Presbytery is 3, Concord 1, Fayetteville 0, Wilmington 0, Mecklenburg 1, Albemarle 0. Total 5.

4 The number of Candidates in Orange Presbytery is 12, Concord 14, Fayetteville 14, Wilmington 6, Mecklenburg 18, Albemarle 7. Total 71.

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5. The number of Communicants in Orange Presbytery is 3,742, Concord 4,763, Fayetteville 7,176, Wilmington 2,927, Mecklenburg 7,124, Albemarle 1,691. Total 27,423.

6. The aggregate of funds raised in Orange Presbytery the past year is $32,592, a decrease of $9,094; Concord $28,632, an increase of $2,355; Fayetteville $25,581, increase of $5,188; Wilmington $26,847, decrease $3,945; Mecklenburg $69,051, increase $10,661; Albemarle $19,981, increase $6,052. Total $203,684; increase over last year $12,212.

7. The number added to the Church in Orange Presbytery is 350, against 429 last year; Concord 641, against 358 last year; Wilmington 259, against 191 last year; Mecklenburg 881, against 808 last year; Albemarle 273 against 221 last year; Fayetteville 368, against 1,320 last year. Total 2,772, against 3,327 last year.

8. The number of ministers received by Orange Presbytery 2, Concord 6, Fayetteville 1, Wilmington 2, Mecklenburg 4, Albemarle 2. Total 17.

9. The number of ministers transferred by Orange Presbytery 1, Concord 3, Fayetteville 2, Wilmington 2, Mecklenburg 6, Albemarle 2. Total 16.

10. The number of churches organized by Orange Presbytery 0, Concord 2, Fayetteville 1, Mecklenburg 12, Albemarle 3. Total 15.

11. The number of churches dissolved by Orange Presbytery 0, Concord 1, Fayetteville 0, Wilmington 0, Mecklenburg 0, Albemarle 0. Total 1.

12. The number of candidates received by Orange Presbytery 3, Concord 4, Fayetteville 2, Wilmington 2, Mecklenburg 9, Albemarle 2. Total 21, against 24 last year.

13. The number of candidates transferred by Orange Presbytery 0, Concord 1, Mecklenburg 2. Total 3.

14. The number of licentiates received by Orange Presbytery 3, Mecklenburg 2, Albemarle 3. Total 8.

15. The number of licentiates transferred by Fayetteville Presbytery 1, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 1, Albemarle 3, Total 6.

16. The number of ministers deceased in Albemarle 2. Total 2.

17. The number of ministers ordained by Orange Presbytery 1, Concord 1, Fayetteville 2, Mecklenburg 4, Albemarle 3. Total 11.

18, The number of ministers installed by Orange Presbytery 3, Concord 2, Fayetteville 8, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 13, Albemarle 3. Total 30.

19. The number of pastoral relations dissolved by Orange Presbytery 3, Concord 3, Fayetteville 2, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 9, Albemarle, 3. Total 21.

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20. The number of licensures in Orange Presbytery 3, Concord 1, Fayetteville 3, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 1. Total 9.

21. Ministers in charge of churches:

Orange—18 Ministers in charge of 32 churches, 14 Pastors, 4 Stated Supplies, 1 Evangelist, 3 Licentiates, 1 Foreign Missionary, 9 vacant churches, average salary paid, $707.

Concord—21 ministers in charge of 39 churches, 14 Pastors, 6 Stated Supplies, 1 Licentiate, 1 Foreign Missionary, 10 vacant churches; average salary $850.

Fayetteville—24 Ministers in charge of 54 churches, 10 Pastors, 10 Stated Supplies, 2 Evangelists, 6 vacant churches; average salary $750.

Wilmington—9 Ministers in charge of 24 churches, 7 pastors, 2 Stated Supplies, 3 Evangelists, 9 vacant churches; average salary $967.

Mecklenburg—25 Ministers in charge of 49 churches, 17 Pastors, 5 Stated Supplies, 3 Evangelists, 1 Foreign Missionary, 14 vacant churches; average salary $731.00.

Albemarle—12 Ministers in charge of 18 churches, 9 Pastors, 1 Stated Supply, 6 Evangelists, 2 vacant churches; average salary $946.15.

Total in Synod, 109 Ministers in charge of 226 churches, Pastors 71, Stated Supplies 28, Evangelists 9, Licentiates 4, Foreign Missionaries 3, vacant churches 48; average salary $825.19.

22. Number of Manses in Orange Presbytery 8, worth $20,000; Concord 17, worth $28,300; Fayetteville 4, worth $8,500; Wilmington 2, worth $10,000; Mecklenburg 25, worth $45,000; Albemarle 9, worth $21,000. Total in the Synod 55 Manses, worth $132,500.

23. Number of counties in which there is no Presbyterian church or minister—Orange 3, Concord 3, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 3, Albemarle 14. Total 25, against 26 last year.

Time and place of next meeting—

Orange—Asheboro Church, April 13th, 1892.

Concord—Troutman's, April 7th, 1892.

Fayetteville—Pittsboro, April 12th, 1892.

Wilmington—Burgaw, March 23rd, 1892.

Mecklenburg—Wadesboro, April 5th, 1892.

Albemarle—Washington, April 8th, 1892.

It was made the first Order of the Day for this evening's Session to hear reports of Committees upon Presbyterial and Synodical Records.

Report of Committee on Evangelistic Labor.

The unfinished business was then resumed, viz: Report of permanent Committee on Evangelistic Labor.

Pending further action the Synod was addressed by Rev. J. N. Craig, D. D., Secretary of the Assembly's Executive Committee of Home Missions.

A substitute was offered for a part of Section III of the report of the Committee of Evangelistic Labor, and was adopted. The Section as finally adopted by the Synod is as follows:

FINANCIAL.

In view of the wide-spread destitution in the Southwest, and in view of the fact that the Indian work of our church is now under the care of the Assembly's Home Missions, the Synod of North Carolina, without diminishing the contributions now made to the Assembly's Executive Committee, undertakes to relieve the Central Treasury of all obligations for Home Mission work within our bounds, and will hereafter supply the demands of our weaker Presbyteries.

The obligations now assumed by the Committee involve an annual expenditure of $10,000. Of this amount Synod undertakes to raise $5,000 through its general collections, apportioned among its Presbyteries as follows: Orange $875, Concord $875, Fayetteville $875, Wilmington $750, Mecklenburg $1,150, Albemarle $475

The report of the Committee was then adopted as a whole.

The Committee on Church and Christian Education, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Chairman, presented their report, which was received and the recommendations ordered to be taken up seriatim. Pending further action Synod heard Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., on the general subject of Education. After this address the report of the Committee was taken up, and the following adopted:

The Committee on Church and Christian Education, and on the report on Parochial Instruction, laid over from 1888 (see Minutes 1888, pp. 203-4, and Minutes of 1889, p. 444) desire to present the following report:

1st. On the Report on Parochial Instruction the following modification of the first report: "Our Lord Jesus Christ, who was the true Light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world, hath constituted His people lights of the world. The Church, entrusted with the inspired Word, and

enlightened by the Spirit, is now the teacher of the world *in all things that pertain to life and godliness.* In all ages and among all nations of Christendom the Church of Christ has recognized the duty and claimed the privilege of exercising a controlling influence upon the education of her own children.

So intimate is the connection between education and religion that the Church cannot surrender the training of her own sons and daughters into other, or at least unchristian hands, without proving recreant to her holy mission as the teacher of the world. Recognizing this vital truth, the Synod of North Carolina desires to commend to all her people a deeper interest in the cause of Christian Education, and especially to urge upon our people to give a fuller support and a larger patronage to our Church Schools, and we would recommend for the adoption of Synod the following resolutions:

1st. That Synod will cause pastoral letters to be prepared upon the subject and circulated among all our people.

Further action upon this report was at this point suspended.

Rev. Alexander Sprunt was unanimously elected Superintendent of Synodical Missions for the ensuing year.

The Agent of Sabbath Schools, Rev. A. R. Shaw, presented his annual report which was received and approved. (Appendix D.)

The money in the hands of the Agent was ordered to be paid to the Agent of Sabbath Schools in Albemarle Presbytery for the disbursement of a debt due Mr. Alexander, provided Maj. R. Bingham, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, was found to have no claim upon said sum.

The Committee to prepare on Address to the Churches on the State of Religion, Rev. R. C. Reid, D. D., Chairman, presented a report, which was received and adopted. It was ordered that this "Address" be sent to the *North Carolina Presbyterian,* with request for publication, and that it be read to all our congregations. It is as follows:

"It is probable that never in its history has the Synod been permitted to send out to its churches more cheering news touching the State of religion within its bounds. All the Presbyteries testify with perfectly accordant

voices their gratitude to God for His blessing upon their efforts for His glory. On five important matters they report decided progress, and in this furnish cause for great encouragement and abundant thanksgiving. The five matters are: (1) The fidelity of church officers in the discharge of their duties. (2.) Attendance of the people on public worship. (3.) Liberality in contributions to works of Christian benevolence. (4.) Interest in both Home and Foreign Missions, and (5.) Special outpourings of the Holy Spirit resulting in many additions to the membership of the Church. One Presbytery alone laments the prevalence of worldliness; three grieve over the neglect of family worship; and one sees cause for sorrow in the want of a proper sanctification of the Sabbath.

Two Presbyteries send up Narratives containing no minor note of sadness in the strain of grateful praise by which they express their acknowledgments to God for His mercies.

Surely it is unusual for the Synod to receive from the Presbyteries, and through them from its churches so much that is cheering, with so little that is disheartening. Usually our pathway through the year is marked by alternations of light and shade in something like equal proportion. But through the past year the sunshine has rested on our way in long, bright stretches, while the shadows have been mere flecks Our Divine Master has smiled upon all four seasons, and each has yielded a rich harvest to the praise of the glory of His grace.

This rare measure of blessing demands an enlarged measure of gratitude. Unusual goodness calls for unusual consecration. Manifold tokens of God's favor multiply His claims on our service. The Synod, therefore, calls upon all its churches to gird themselves for fresh labors, and to address themselves with intensified earnestness and zeal to the glorious work of bringing the world to Christ."

The following were appointed a Committee to nominate Ruling Elders to serve for the ensuing year upon the permanent Committee of Evangelistic Labor, viz: Rev. C. W. Robinson, J. H. Lacy and Ruling Elder J. R. Young.

Synod then took recess until 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

After recess Synod met and resumed its business.

Report on Union Theological Seminary.

The Committee on Union Theological Seminary, Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

The Annual Report of the Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary presents many encouraging features The increase in the number of students, the addition of two able and scholarly men to the Faculty, the sound condition of the finances, the enlargement of its valuable library, the continued health of its Professors, excepting Dr. Latimer, who has so far recovered as to resume his labors, the attested faithfulness of both officers and students, and the cheering prospects for the present session, are all matters of profound interest to this Synod, and causes for grateful thanksgiving to the Great Head of the Church.

Your Committee would make the following recommendations:

1st. That we commend to the liberality of our people all efforts made to increase the endowment of this Seminary, and especially to provide the funds needful to secure dormitories for a growing number of students.

2nd. That Synod consents to the proposed change in the Charter as to removing the present restrictions upon the endowment and real estate held.

3rd. That the Synod prefers withholding its consent to the proposed change in the Charter as to the Board conferring "Degrees" upon graduates of the institution, until more fully informed as to the character of the "Degrees" contemplated.

4th. That the Fourth Class of Directors, whose term of office expires at this meeting, consisting of Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Rev. D. D. McBryde, and Ruling Elder, Wm. J. Martin, L.L. D., be re-elected for another term.

5th. That the vacancies occasioned in Class No. 1 of the Directors, by the removal of Rev. J. W. Primrose, D. D. and the resignation of Ruling Elder, Geo. E. Wilson, be filled by electing Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., in the place of Dr. Primrose, and Ruling Elder C. E. Graham in that of Ruling Elder Geo. E. Wilson.

That the vacancy in Class No. 2, caused by the removal of Rev. L. C. Vass, D. D., be supplied by electing Rev. Alexander Sprunt.

The Synod then resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on Church and Christian Education, and the following items were adopted, viz:

2d. That our ministers and people be exhorted by convention or otherwise, to consider the subject of Christian Education, and to disseminate useful information concerning this important matter.

Report on Church and Christian Education.

3d. That our churches, either individually or in suitable groups, be urged to establish or resuscitate schools, of high grade, under christian influences, as well as primary schools, either free or pay schools, wherever practicable.

4th. That our people be exhorted, wherever it is practicable, to secure christian teachers for our public schools, and see that the reading of the Bible be introduced as a part of daily exercises

5th. The Synod would call the attention of our people to the importance of Female Education. Both Church and State,in past years,have made ample arrangements for the higher education of our boys, and but little for the education of girls. The Synod desires to encourage our churches and people to establish schools, of high grade, for the education of girls.

Pending further action upon this report, the Synod heard Rev. R. P. Pell, concerning an Industrial School for girls at Linville City, N. C.

The last item of the report was then adopted and is as follows:

6th. Attention being called to certain propositions for the establishment of a school for girls, of high grade, at Linville City and at Blowing Rock, the Synod desires to express its approval of the same, and commends it to the liberality of our people.

The report as a whole was then adopted.

The thanks of the Synod were tendered to Mr. Wm. M. Morris, of Blowing Rock, for the offer of a suitable tract of land; and also to the Linville Improvement Company for the offer of a tract of land and certain amount of lumber for building schools at Blowing Rock and Linville City.

The Agent of Education, Rev. W. R. McLelland, presented his annual report, which was received, approved and adopted. (Appendix D.)

The recommendations are as follows:

The Committee to nominate Ruling Elders for the Committee of Evangelistic Labor, Rev. C. W. Robinson, Chairman, reported, recommending the following persons, which report was received and adopted:

Albemarle Presbytery, J. R. Young; Mecklenburg Presbytery, D. W. Oates; Orange Presbytery, J. M. Rodgers; Wilmington Presbytery, B.F. Hall; Concord Presbytery, J. G. Hall; Fayetteville Presbytery; J.W. McNeill, M. D.

The Committee to examine the Records of Orange Presbytery, Rev. R. A. Miller, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. Report was received and adopted.

The Committee to examine the Records of Concord Presbytery, Rev. G. A. Hough, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval, with exceptions. The report was received and the exceptions were sustained and ordered to be noted in the Presbytery's Records.

The Committee to examine the Records of Wilmington Presbytery, Rev. W. F. Wilhelm, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee to examine the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. J. L. Currie, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval, with exception. The report was received and the exception was sustained and ordered to be noted in the Presbytery's Records.

The Committee to examine the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. Chalmers Moore, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee to examine the Records of Albemarle Presbytery, Rev. C. W. Robinson, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee to examine the Records of Synod, Rev. R. W. Boyd, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

That they have performed this duty and find the Records most neatly, tastefully and carefully arranged and written, and congratulates the Synod on the skill and efficiency of our Stated Clerk.

Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Committee of Church and Christian Education. The resignation was placed upon the Docket for future consideration.

Report on Systematic Beneficence.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence, Rev. Frank D. Hunt, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and approved:

All the Presbyteries of Synod have sent up reports on this subject, and from these reports the following facts are obtained as to the contributions of the churches within the bounds of the Synod, to the general objects for the year ending march 31st, 1891:

184	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$ 9,833 66
182	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	9,786 16
156	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	1,321 83
192	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	20,105 07
177	"	"	"	Education	3,826 14
146	"	"	"	Publication	893 76
17	"	"	"	Colportage	62 00
81	"	"	"	Church Erection	3,868 32
122	"	"	"	Tuscaloosa Institute	642 79
48	"	"	"	Bible Cause	412 45
104	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	14,869 00
				Total	$65,366 18

Which is $9,533.92 more than the amount reported last year.

Five Presbyteries show an increase in their contributions over last year as follows:

Mecklenburg $3,396.00, Fayetteville $2,015.27, Albemarle $1,663.00, Concord $1,798.00, Orange $1,296.00

One Presbytery, Wilmington, shows a decrease of $321.70.

The increase is as follows, as to different causes:

Sustentation	$ 447 60
Evangelistic	1,372 88
Invalid Fund	262 62
Foreign Missions	4,253 14
Publication	120 85
Church Erection	3,244 32
Tuscaloosa Institute	79 99
Bible Cause	412 45
Colportage	62 00
Miscellaneous	275 09

Report on the Report of the Orphans' Home.

One cause, the important one of Education, shows a *decrease* of $741.93.

All the Presbyteries, except Wilmington, report collections for the Bible Cause.

Only one Presbytery (Fayetteville) reports collections for Colportage.

Two hundred and thirty-two churches reported, as compared with 219 last year; 35 churches made no report; 53 churches contributed to all the causes, and 176 churches contributed to one or more of them.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Board of Regents of the Orphans' Home, Rev. W. B. Arrowood, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received, the recommendations taken up seriatim and adopted:

Your Committee respectfully report, recommending the adoption of the following:

The Synod of North Carolina, having heard the report of the Regents of her Orphans' Home, desires to express gratitude to Him who is the Father of the fatherless, for the success which He has vouchsafed to our enterprise for the care and training of indigent orphans.

The certificate of the Auditing Committee approving the accounts of the Treasurer for the year was duly laid before your Committee.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain and Geo. E. Wilson, Esq., whose term of office expires at this meeting, are nominated for re-election for the term of five years.

In the place of Geo. Chadbourn, deceased, we nominate Col. John L. Brown for election.

We recommend the acceptance of the resignation of Mr. S. H. Wiley and that Mr. O. D. Davis be elected in his stead

Owing to the failure of G. M. Love to attend the meeting of the Board of Regents, we recommend the election of Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., to serve in his place.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1st. That Synod heartily commends to the confidence of our people this noble work, and urges them to remember it in their prayers and benefactions

2d. That all our ministers and church sessions be urged to make at least one collection in each church annually for this purpose. We especially call attention to the annual Thanksgiving as a suitable time for one collection, or if that be not practicable, some other day, selected by the Church, may be used for that purpose.

3rd. That the claims of the orphans are hereby brought to the attention of Ladies' Aid Societies, King's Daughters, and such other circles and societies as may exist in our churches.

4th. That in view of the increasing number of the orphans in the home, our people be urged to make larger and more frequent contributions to the cause, and in view of the present empty condition of the treasury, an immediate collection is urgently requested.

5th. That Synod would encourage the Regents to take immediate steps to accumulate a Real Estate and Building Fund, and that this particular feature of the work be earnestly commended to the liberality of our churches and individual church members.

We recommend the approval by the Synod of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Orphans' Home, adopted by the Board of Regents.

In connection with action upon the report of the Committee, Synod heard Rev. R. W. Boyd, Superintendent of the Orphans' Home, in the interests of that Institution.

The Treasurer of Synod, Mr. I. H. Foust, presented his annual report, which was received and referred to the Committee on the Treasurer's Book and Accounts. It is as follows:

I. H. Foust, Treasurer, in account with the Synod of North Carolina.

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To balance on hand October 20th, 1890						$116 13
" Amount from Mecklenburg Presbytery for 1889						60 00
" " " " " " 1890						65 00
" " " " " " 1891						65 00
" " " Albemarle			"	" 1889		25 00
" " " "			"	" 1890		20 00
" " " "			"	" 1891		20 00
" " " Wilmington			"	" 1891		30 00
" " " Orange			"	" 1890		50 00
" " " Fayetteville			"	on acc't 1888–'89		100 00
" " " Concord			"	for 1891		50 00
Total						$601 13

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By amount paid Stated Clerk, salary and expenses for year 1890						$ 80 00
" " " " " 1891						81 29
" " " E. M. Uzzell, 1890						18 00

By amount paid E. M. Uzzell 1891	11 50
" " " Whittet & Shepperson, 1888	224 97
" " " Jackson & Bell, 1889	180 54
" balance on hand	4 83
Total	$601 13
The above statement shows a balance in the Treasurer's hands of only	$ 4 83
Amount due by Fayetteville Presbytery	105 00
" " Concord "	5 00
" " Orange "	50 00
" " Wilmington "	5 00
Total	$169 83
We owe Jackson & Bell for printing minutes of 1890	199 22
	$29 39

So that there will be, after all assessments are paid up in full, a shortage of $29.39, as shown above. There must of necessity, therefore, be an increase of assessments in order to meet the regular and legitimate expenses of Synod, annually, and pay back indebtedness.

The annual expenses appear to be about three hundred dollars, and the assessments aggregate only $280. Members of Synod must have overlooked the discrepancy that is bound to exist under the present arrangement, and the Treasurer must insist upon a change, if Synod is pleased to have him continue in his official position.

The Committee to examine the Treasurer's Book and accounts, Rev. R. P. Pell, Chairman, presented a report, which was received. After some discussion, the report was recommitted, and the Stated Clerk and Ruling Elders J. R. Young and James Dinwiddie were added to the Committee.

The resolution concerning the employment of a Synodical Foreign Mission Secretary was taken from the Docket.

The following substitute was presented and adopted:

Resolved, 1st. That the permanent Committee of Foreign Missions be authorized to appoint a Synodical Secretary of Foreign Missions, whose duties shall be to develop the interest of our churches in this cause by holding missionary conferences, to circulate our missionary literature, to look out men and women suitable for the foreign field, and to encourage our churches and private members to increased liberality in the cause.

Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions.

2 The Synodical Secretary shall be "ex-officio" a member of Synod's permanent Committee and shall sustain to the Assembly Committee at Nashville such relations as that Committee may see fit to establish.

3. The salary of the Secretary shall be fixed by the permanent Committee, and the appointment shall not take effect unless the salary is provided outside of the ordinary contributions of our churches, Sabbath Schools and Societies.

4. The permanent Committee shall hereafter consist of the Presbyterial Agents throughout the Synod, and one church officer, Elder or Deacon, from each Presbytery.

5. This appointment (Synodical Secretary) shall expire after one year, but can be renewed and continued, if its workings during the year commend themselves to the judgment of the Synod.

The report of the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions was then adopted as a whole.

In accordance with the above paper (Resolution 4) the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions is thus constituted:

Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, Chairman.
Albemarle—Rev. E. E. Bigger, Prof. A. Bauman.
Concord—Rev. A. T. Graham, Prof. H. L. Smith.
Fayetteville—Rev. Jos. Evans, Mr. J. C. McCaskill.
Mecklenburg—Rev. F. D. Hunt, Dr. Chas. Adams.
Orange—Rev. J. H. Lacy, Mr. Geo. W. Watts.
Wilmington—Rev. W. McC. Miller, Mr. W. H. Sprunt.

The Committee to examine the report of the Trustees of Synod, Rev. S. O. Hall, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

Your Committee would report that they find nothing in said report calling for special action by this Synod.

We recommend the re-election of the present Trustees, viz: Col. John E. Brown, Chairman, Charlotte; Col. J. B. Rankin, Charlotte; Mr. J. L. Brown, Charlotte; Mr. R. M. Oates, Charlotte; Judge A. C. Avery, Morganton; Mr. D. F. Cannon, Concord; Mr E B. Stimson, Statesville.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 A. M., and was closed with prayer.

FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, November 14th, 1891.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod convened at 9 A. M., and was opened with prayer.

The reading of the minutes of the Fourth Day's Session was postponed until the close of the present Session.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, Rev. W. D. Morton D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

In answer to overture of Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, in reference to contradictory deliverances of the last Assembly, Synod would call attention of the next Assembly to these contradictory responses, and would respectfully overture the next Assembly to relieve these contradictions and to establish the rule involved in our Overture.

In response to the Overture from Wilmington Presbytery touching the licensure of candidates, your committee recommends that the Overture be granted and forwarded to the next General Assembly.

The Committee on the *North Carolina Presbyterian*, through Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., presented the following, which was received and adopted:

The Synod of North Carolina, gratefully sensible of its obligations to the *North Carolina Presbyterian* for publishing and disseminating not only the news of its churches, but the actions of all its Presbyteries and agencies, adopt the following resolutions:

1st. *The North Carolina Presbyterian* is an indispensable agency for promoting and maintaining every enterprise in which the Synod is engaged.

2nd. That the success and efficiency of all its enterprises would be vastly enlarged by a largely increased circulation of the paper.

3rd. Synod's Agent of Publication, in co-operation with the Agents of Publication in the Presbyteries, is instructed to concert measures for securing this greatly to be desired result.

The Committee on Leave of Absence, Rev. W. C. C. Foster, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and approved:

Report of Committee on Leave of Absence. Church at Chapel Hill.

Excused for non-attendance at the last meeting of Synod: Rev. R. W. Culbertson, E. P. Davis, B. L. Beall, Wm. W. Pharr, D. D., J. P. Marion, E. E. Pressley, J. G. Anderson, T. A Wharton, J. L. Williamson, R. W. Boyd, John W Moore, Carr Moore, Edward Mack.

Excused for non-attendance at the present meeting: Rev. J. P. McPherson, N. McKay, D. D., B. L. Beall, J. J. Kennedy, A. N. Ferguson, James McQueen, A. McQueen, L. McKinnon, D. D.

Excused for late attendance at the present meeting: Rev. C. Shaw, J. Rumple, D. D., J. H. Lacy, R. W. Culbertson, R. Z. Johnston, A. McFadyen, G. A. Sparrow, Carr Moore, W. F. Thom, W. H. White, J. S. Morrow, W. R. Coppedge, D. Fairley, Edward Mack, J. G. Anderson.

The following were granted leave of absence:

After Wednesday evening's Session—Sam'l Watkins, R. F. Smith, L. M. Stewart.

After Thursday morning's Session—T. B. Hyman, W. W. Davis, J. M. Gaston, W. P. Fife.

After Thursday evening's Session—A. F. Goodman, Dr. J. G. Ramsay, A. N. McNinch, G.A. Hough, Hiram P.Foard, Jas.Evans, D. P. McKinnon, J. B. Swann, J. S. Reid, N. B. Daniel.

After Friday morning's Session—A McFadyen, R. Z. Johnston, P. McIntyre, D. C. McDonald, J. S. Morrow, A. Currie, G W. McMillan, J. R. Reid, C. M. B. Goodnight, Roger Martin, J. S. Black, J. D. Taylor, C. L. Lewis, D. M. McLauchlin, Edward Mack, C, W. Johnston, N. V. Ray, R. A. Miller, W. C. Bennett, E. C. Murray, S. K. Scott, W. P. Craven, Geo. A. Sparrow, J. W. Lewis.

After Friday evening's Session—C. Shaw, R. P. Pell, R. W. Culbertson, Thos. W. Faucette, W. S. Graves, C. M. Payne, D. D., W. C. C. Foster, J. P. Marion, J. M. Wharey, D. D., J. A. McLean, J. R. McNeely, J. A. Gilmer, F. D. Hunt, E. B. Neave, A. J. McKelway, J. N. H. Summerell, J. M. Clark, J. L. Currie, H. H. Hodgin, J. T. Wade, J. C. Dinwiddie, J G. Anderson, P. C. Shaw, T. A. Wharton, S. O. Hall, S. W. Stimson, W. McC. Miller, D. Watson, A. R. Shaw, J. S. Watkins, D. D., C. W. Robinson, R. S. Arrowood, J. B. Shearer, D, D., R. E. Lentz, John E. Brown, J. M. Rodgers.

The following paper touching the church of Chapel Hill was presented and adopted:

On account of the unique relations held by the church of Chapel Hill to our whole territory, situated as it is at the State University, and supplying the spiritual wants of Presbyterian students from all parts of our bounds, and exerting an influence upon the minds and hearts of many who will in

years to come fill the most important positions in their communities and in the State at large, Synod commends this church to the Committee of Synodical Missions as a proper object of Synodical aid.

The following Standing Rule was adopted and ordered to be placed among the Synod's Standing Rules:

When a vacancy occurs by death, resignation or removal beyond our bounds, in any of the offices of Synod (including the Stated Clerk, Agents and Directors of Union Theological Seminary) the Moderator is empowered to fill such vacancy until the next meeting of Synod, except in the case of those officers who are the heads of Synodical Committees, when the Committee shall fill the vacancy.

The Agent of Publication, Rev. E. W. Smith, presented his Annual Report, which was received, approved and the recommendations adopted. (Appendix D.)

The recommendations are as follows:

1st. That Synod urge upon all its Presbyteries to ascertain their several apportionments to the Colportage Cause and to use every endeavor to raise these amounts as speedily as possible, and that the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to communicate this action to the Stated Clerks of the various Presbyteries.

2nd. That the Presbyterial Agents of Publication, or more accurately of Colportage, be instructed to write to every delinquent Pastor and Session in their several Presbyteries and lay this cause upon their hearts and consciences.

3rd. We recommend to all our Pastors that, in presenting this cause to their congregations, they present it as the Colportage Cause. The Cause of Publication proper is more than self-supporting, and asks no favors of any one. That branch of the general Publication Cause known as the Colportage branch, including donations of books, is what the churches really contribute to, and to the support of which all these contributions are devoted. The name of Publication is utterly non-stimulating, and as far as it suggests anything at all to the average congregation, is a misnomer. The word Colportage places a self-evidently important branch of our Home Mission work before the people in a simple and definite form, and is well calculated to awaken their interest and secure their support.

4th. That if the Synodical Agent can do so without expense to the Synod, he shall send this third recommendation to every Pastor in our Synod.

The Committee on Evangelistic Labor, Rev. A. Sprunt, Chairman, presented a report, upon certain Overtures referred to that Committee, which was adopted, as follows:

1. That while we deeply sympathize with the request of the Overture from Mecklenburg Presbytery, we do not see our way clear to give them the whole of Rev. W. E. McIlwain's time, but that eight months of this brother's time will be given them.

2. That the Overture from Albemarle Presbytery asking for an Evangelist of Synod in the counties of Pitt, Greene and Beaufort, be granted.

3. That the Overture from Wilmington Presbytery asking for an Evangelist for Carteret, Craven and Jones counties, be granted.

The Agent of Evangelistic Labor, Rev. A. Sprunt, presented his Annual Report, which was received and approved. (Appendix D.)

Rev. J. S. Morrow and Rev. Simon G. Walker addressed the Synod concerning their evangelistic labors among the colored people.

A collection, amounting to $20.15, was then taken up for the purpose of sending one or more of our colored members as delegates to the convention to be held at Tuscaloosa, Ala., the second week in December, to consult as to the advisability of organizing a separate Colored Presbyterian Church at this time.

The resignation of Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., as Chairman of the Committee of Church and Christian Education, was accepted, and Rev. A. T. Graham was elected in his place.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, Chairman, reported that they "have examined the same and find nothing calling for the action of Synod." Report was received and approved.

The Committee to whom was recommitted the report upon the Treasurer's accounts and the question of Synod's indebtedness, presented the following report, which was received, approved and adopted:

Report on Treasurer's Books. Assessments.

The Treasurer's Book and his annual report, together with vouchers for the disbursements, have been submitted to your Committee. After a full examination we find that the book and accounts have been correctly kept, and we would commend the careful and faithful manner in which the Treasurer has performed his duties.

The attention of the Synod is especially called to two statements made in the Treasurer's report: It appears that some of our Presbyteries, notably Fayetteville and Orange, have failed to pay their assessments, the former for 1890-91, and the latter for 1891. Furthermore, even if these assessments were in hand, the Synod would still be unable to meet its indebtedness by $29.39. In order, therefore, to provide against this discrepancy we recommend:

1. That the Stated Clerk be directed to urge upon the delinquent Presbyteries to make immediate payment of the amounts due by them.

2. That a special assessment of $10 upon each Presbytery be made, and that the Presbyteries be requested to pay the same at once.

3. That the assessments upon all the Presbyteries be increased five dollars each.

4. That the Presbyteries be requested to make a payment of at least 50 per cent. of their annual assessments by next Spring instead of waiting until next Fall.

By the above action the assessments are as follows:

Orange Presbytery	$ 55 00
Concord "	60 00
Fayetteville "	60 00
Mecklenburg "	70 00
Wilmington "	40 00
Albemarle "	25 00
	$310 00

The Stated Clerk was directed to have printed eleven hundred and fifty copies of the Minutes of the Seventy-Eighth Session of the Synod of North Carolina.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to the General Assembly, which was received approved and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. It is as follows.

The Synod of North Carolina respectfully reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that it consists of six Presbyteries, and that these consist, in whole, of one hundred and thirty-eight Ministers, and two hundred and eighty-seven Churches, having under their care five Licentiates and seventy-one candidates, viz:

Statistical Report of Synod. Vote of Thanks.

PRESBYTERIES.	MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	LICENTIATES.	CANDIDATES
Orange	20	40	3	12
Concord	27	49	1	14
Fayetteville	24	64	0	14
Wilmington	14	39	0	6
Mecklenburg	37	71	1	18
Albemarle	16	24	0	7
Total	138	287	5	71

The Synod further reports that its next Stated meeting will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Statesville, N. C., on Tuesday, October 18th, 1892, at 7:30 P. M.

By order of Synod.

J. ALSTON RAMSAY, *Stated Clerk.*

Durham, N. C., November 13th, 1891.

The following resolution was offered and adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina does hereby tender its most hearty thanks to the members of the Presbyterian church, and the citizens of Durham for the hospitable entertainment and various courtesies extended during its Session; to the officers of the different churches for the tender of their houses of worship; to the city papers for their accurate reports of the proceedings, and to the Rail Road Companies that allowed reductions of fare to the members of the Synod.

The roll was called before final adjournment.

The Minutes of the Fourth and Fifth Days' Sessions were read and approved.

The Synod then adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian church, Statesville, N. C., on Tuesday, October 18th, 1892, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

WILLIAM E. McILWAIN, *Moderator.*

REV. T. A. WHARTON,
MR. H. P. FOARD, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy from the records.

ATTEST: J. ALSTON RAMSAY,
Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

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A.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF THE PRESBYTERIES.

I.- ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Orange reports:

1—18 Ministers; 40 Churches; 3 Licentiates; 12 Candidates; 3,742 Communicants; and thirty-two thousand five hundred and ninety-two dollars ($32,592.00), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1891, being $9,092 less than was raised the year before. Difference in congregational expenses, building churches, etc.

2—350 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 241 on examination, and 109 on certificate.

3—2 Ministers were received, viz: G. A. Wilson, April 17th, 1890; J. E. Fogartie, October 10th, 1890.

4.—Ministers were transferred. viz: F. H. Johnston, D. D., April 10th, 1890.

5.—Churches received or organized—none.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved—none.

7.—3 Licentiates received, viz: J. E Mebane, May 27th; J. J. Harrell, May 27th; S. G. Walker (colored), July 1st.

8—Licentiates transferred—none.

9—3 Candidates received, viz: Chas. F. Rankin, April 17th; W. C. Brown, July 1st; J. C. Story, September 12th.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—Ministers died—none.

12.—1 Ordination, viz: J. J. Harrell, May 27th.

13.—3 Installations, viz: G. A. Wilson, third Sunday in May and fourth Sunday in May; W. R. Coppedge, June, 1890; J. E. Fogartie, fourth Sunday in November and fifth Sunday in November.

14.—3 Dissolutions of Pastoral relations, viz: E. W. Smith and Westminster Church, November 25th; J. H. Lacy and Mebanes and Bethlehem, November 25th, D. I. Craig and Oak Forest, April 18th

15.—3 Licensures, viz: J. E Mebane, May 27; J. J. Harrell, May 27; S. G. Walker (colored), July 1st:

16 —18 Ministers in charge of 32 Churches; 14 Pastors; 4 Stated Supplies; 1 Evangelist; 3 Licentiates; 1 Foreign Missionary.

17.—9 Churches vacant.

18.—$707, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—8 Manses, aggregate value, $20,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 3 Counties, viz: Alleghany, Person, Stokes.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Alamance Church on 7th day October, 1891.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: H. T. DARNALL,

At Westminster Church, on 1st day of April, 1891. *Stated Clerk.*

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Concord reports:

1—27 Ministers; 49 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 14 Candidates; 4,763 Communicants; and twenty-eight thousand six hundred and thirty-two dollars ($28,632), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1891, being $2,355 more than was raised the year before.

2.—641 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 336 on examination, and 305 on certificate.

3.—6 Ministers were received, viz: E. E. Pressly, October 13, 1890, from First Presbytery, A. R. Church, South; J. P. Marion, October 13th, 1890, from Bethel Presbytery, South Carolina; A. T. Graham, June 16, 1891, from Maryland Presbytery; R. W. Boyd, July 14th, 1891, from Mecklenburg Presbytery; C. Miller, September 10, 1891, from Orange Presbytery: W. H. White, Sept 11, 1891, from South Alabama.

4.—3 Ministers were transferred, viz: I. N. Campbell, December 8th, 1890, to Winchester, Va; T. J. Allison, April 13th, 1891, to Savannah Presbytery, Georgia; L. K. Glasgow, September 10th, 1891, to Lexington, Va.

5—2 Churches organized, viz: Sherrill's Ford, November 9th, 1890; Elk Park, July 5th, 1891.

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6—1 Church dissolved, viz: Lebanon, September 12th, 1891.

7—Licentiates received, none.

8.—Licentiates transferred, none.

9.—4 Candidates received, viz: E. P. Bradley, of Statesville Church, May 2d 1891; R. E. C. Lawson, Thyatira, June 16th, 1891; J. D. Rowe, Newton Church, September 10th, 1891; S. E. Sloan, Thyatira, September 11th, 1891.

10.—1 Candidate transferred, viz: J E. L. Winecoff, April 10th, 1891, to Potosi Presbytery, Missouri.

11.—Ministers died, none.

12.—1 Ordination, viz: J. C. Kennedy, September 12th, 1891.

13—2 Installations, viz: A. T. Graham, June 21st, 1891, at Davidson College; J. A. Ramsay, July 19th, 1891, at Hickory.

14.—2 Dissolution of Pastoral Relations, viz: T. J. Allison, April 13th, 1891, Third Creek, Fifth Creek and Elmwood; J. A. Ramsay, June 16th, 1891, Back Creek and Thyatira; R. S. Arrowood, July 14th, 1891, Bethpage.

15.—1 Licensure, viz: J. A. Harris, September 12th, 1891.

16.—21 Ministers in charge of 39 Churches; 14 Pastors; 6 Stated Supplies; no Evangelists; 1 Licentiate; 1 Foreign Missionary.

17—10 Churches vacant.

18.—$850, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—17 Manses, aggregate value, $28,300.

20.—No Minister or Church in 3 Counties, viz: Yadkin, Yancey and Ashe.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Troutmans, on 7th day of April, 1892, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: W. W. PHARR,
Stated Clerk

At Rocky River Church, on 12th day of September, 1891.

III —FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports:

1—24 Ministers; 64 Churches; no Licentiates; 14 Candidates; 7,176 Communicants; and twenty-five thousand five hundred and eighty-one dollars ($25,581), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31st, 1891, being $5,188 more than was raised the year before.

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2—368 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 279 on examination, 89 on certificate.

3.—Ministers received, none.

4—2 Ministers were transferred, viz: Rev T. P. Barclay, to Montgomery Presbytery, August 1st, 1891; Rev. C. Moore, to Mecklenburg Presbytery, October 10th, 1891.

5. - 1 Church organized, viz: Keyser, November 12th, 1890.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved, none.

7.—Licentiates received, none.

8.—1 Licentiate transferred, viz: A. H. McArn to Albemarle Presbytery, May 23d, 1891.

9.—2 Candidates received, viz: L. L. Little, May 22d, 1891; J L. Wicker, October 9th, 1891.

10.—Candidates transferred, none.

11.—Minister died, none.

12.—2 Ordinations, viz: M. McG. Shields, May 23d, 1891; D. N. McLauchlin, June 30th, 1891.

13.—8 Installations, viz: Rev. J. M. Clark, at Antioch, May 2d, and at Philadelphus, June 24th, 1891; Rev. M. McG. Shields at Union June 17th, at Cameron, June 17th, and at Cypress, June 18th, 1891; Rev. D. N. McLauchlin at Buffalo, July 31st, at Jonesboro, July 31st, and Pocket, August 7th, 1891.

14.—2 Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations, viz: Between Rev. T. P. Barclay and Fayetteville Church, August 1st, 1891; Between Rev. C. Moore and Laurinburg Church, October 10th, 1891.

15.—3 Licensures, viz: M. McG. Shields, April 10th, 1891; D. N. McLauchlin, May 22d, 1891; A. H. McArn, May 22d, 1891.

16.—24 Ministers in charge of 64 Churches; 10 Pastors; 10 Stated Supplies; 2 Evangelists; no Licentiate; no Foreign Missionary.

17.—4 Churches vacant.

18.—$750, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—4 Manses, aggregate value $8,500.

20.—No Minister or Church in — Counties. In Montgomery county we have Churches but at present no Minister.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Pittsboro on ... day of ..... 1892.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest:

P. R. LAW,
Stated Clerk.

At Dunn Church, on 10th day of October, 1891.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Wilmington reports:

1.—14 Ministers; 39 Churches; no Licentiates; 6 Candidates; 2 927 Communicants; and twenty-six thousand, eight hundred and forty-seven dollars (26,847), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31st, 1891, being $3,945.62 less than was raised the year before.

2.—259 Members were added to the Churches during the year.

3.—2 Ministers were received, viz: A. D. McClure July 8th and Michael Jerkins (colored) October 17th.

4.—2 Ministers were transferred, viz: J. W. Primrose, D. D., December 11th, to Presbytery of Potosi, Mo.; Litcher Smith, October 16th, to West Hanover, Va.

5.—Churches received or organized, none.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved, none.

7.—Licentiates received, none.

8.—1 Licentiate transferred, viz: Wm. M. Shaw, October 16th, to Presbytery of Concord.

9.—1 Candidate received, viz: Marcellus Wooten October 17th.

10.—Candidates transferred, none.

11.—Ministers died, none.

12.—Ordinations, none.

13.—1 Installation, viz: Rev. A. D. McClure, October 4th, Pastor St. Andrew's Church.

14.—1 Dissolution of Pastoral Relations, viz: J. W. Primrose, D. D., December 11th, St. Andrew's.

15.—1 Licensure, viz: Wm. M. Shaw, April 3d.

16.—9 Ministers in charge of 24 Churches; 7 Pastors; 2 Stated Supplies; 3 Evangelists; no Licentiates; 2 W. Cs.

Statistical Report—Mecklenburg Presbytery.

17.—9 Churches vacant.

18.—$967, average salary paid 9 Ministers in charge of 24 Churches.

19.—2 Manses, aggregate value, $10,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 1 County, viz: Brunswick.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Burgaw at 7:30 P. M., on 23d day of March, 1892.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: A. McPADYEN,
Stated Clerk.

At White Hall Church, on 17th day of October, 1891.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports:

1.—37 Ministers; 72 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 18 Candidates; 7,124 Communicants; and sixty-nine thousand and fifty-one dollars ($69,051), aggregate of all funds raised during the year euding March 31st, 1891, being $10,661 more than was raised the year before.

2.—881 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 552 on examination, and 329 on certificate.

3.—4 Ministers were received, viz: M. R. Kirkpatrick, March 16th, 1891; H. M. Dixon, May 15th, 1891; Walter J. Williams, (colored), September 17th, 1891; L. H. Baldwin, Sept. 18th, 1891; Rev. J. M. Grier, October 6th, 1891.

4.—6 Ministers were transferred, viz: A. G. Buckner, July 31st, 1890; G. W. Belk, Nov. 27th, 1890; R. W. Boyd, April 1891; J. W. Siler, September 16th, 1891; W. R. Atkinson, D. D., September 16th, 1891; D. F. Sheppard, October 9th, 1891.

5.—12 Churches received or organized, viz: 2 received by order of Synod, Drusilla and Bethel (Mecklenburg county), October 1890; 10 organized, Newells and Belmont, November 15th, 1890; Dillsboro, December 8th, 1890; Stevens, December 13th 1890; Waco, February 21st, 1891; Ironton, March 29th, 1891; Weaverton, April 12th, 1891; Banks, May 27th, 1891; Bethany, (colored) Asheville, September 20th, 1891; Brevard, October 9th, 1891.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved, none.

7.—2 Licentiates received, viz: J. T. Wade, April 15th, 1891; Jonas Barclay, May 15th, 1891.

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8.—1 Licentiate transferred, viz: J. K. Hall, May 15th, 1891.

9.—9 Candidates received, viz: M. L. Arrowood, April 17th, 1891; C. F. Hunter, May 15th, 1891; R. C. Hunter, J. M. W. Elder, W. O. Sample, D. H. Hunter, W. L. Walker, September 1st, 1891; Wm. H. A. Williams (colored) and W. W. Williams, September 17th, 1891.

10.—2 Candidates transferred, viz: W. J. Sechrist, May 15th, 1891; Jos. D. Taylor (colored) October 9th, 1891.

11.—Ministers died, none.

12.—4 Ordinations, viz: Geo. A. Sparrow, November 5th, 1890; J. T. Wade, April 15th, 1891; James Barckley, May 15th, 1891; J. S. Morrow (colored), September 20th, 1891.

13.—13 Installations, viz: Rev. R. A. Miller, Belmont, New Hope and Lowell Churches (3); J. T. Wade, installed at Pineville and Pleasant Hill (2); M. R. Kirkpatrick installed at Wadesboro and Morven (2); J. S. Morrow installed at Bethany, September 20th, 1891; H. M. Dixon installed at Monroe and Waxhaw (2); W. C. C. Foster installed at Union Church, April 18th, 1891; C. W. Robinson installed at Gastonia Church, April 18th, 1891; Geo. A. Sparrow installed at Rutherfordton, October 23d, 1891.

14.—9 Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations, viz: R. W. Boyd, and Unity and Castania Grove (2) January 22d, 1891; R. A. Miller and Hopewell, January 22d, 1891; W. E. McIlwain and Gastonia, March 6th, 1891; C. W. Robinson and Graham Street Church, May 15th, 1891; G. W. Siler and Shelby and Rutherfordton (2), September 16th, 1891; D. F. Sheppard and Swannanoa Church, October 10th 1891; J. B. Cochran and Mallard Creek, August 26th, 1891.

15—1 Licensure, viz: Jos. K. Hall, May 15th, 1891.

16.—25 Ministers in charge of 49 Churches; 17 Pastors; 5 Stated Supplies; 3 Evangelists; no Licentiates; 1 Foreign Missionary.

17.—14 Churches vacant

18.—$731, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19 —25 Manses, aggregate value $45,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in three Counties, viz: Madison, Graham and Cherokee.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Wadesboro on ... day of April, 1892.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Stated Clerk.

At Swananoa Church, on 19th day of September, 1891.

Statistical Report—Albemarle Presbytery.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Albemarle reports:

1.—16 Ministers; 23 Churches; no Licentiates; 7 Candidates; 1,691 Communicants; and nineteen thousand, nine hundred and eighty-one dollars ($19,981), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31st, 1891, being $6,052 more than was raised the year before,

2.—273 Members were added to the Churches during the year, 168 on examination and 105 on certificate.

3.—2 Ministers were received, viz: Joseph Rennie, April 11th, 1891; E. E. Bigger, April 11th, 1891.

4.—2 Ministers were transferred, viz: L. C. Vass, D. D, November 28th, 1890; J. C. McMullen, October 20th, 1891.

5.—3 Churches Received or Organized, viz: Kenly, December 7th, 1890; Louisburg, *reorganized* December 15th, 1890; Greenville, May 11th, 1891.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved, none.

7.—3 Licentiates received, viz: C. G. Vardell, June 3d, 1891; A. J. McKelway, June 3d, 1891, A. H. McArn, June 3d, 1891.

8.—Licentiates transferred, none.

9.—2 Candidates received, viz: John Stanley Thomas, April 11th, 1890; Percy Bridgers, September 21st, 1891.

10.—Candidates transferred, none.

11.—2 Ministers died, viz: J. M. Atkinson, D. D., March 6th, 1891; Geo. W. Ferrell, June 22d, 1891.

12.—3 Ordinations, viz: C. G. Vardell, June 21st, 1891; A. J. McKelway, June 28th, 1891; A. H. McArn, July 19th, 1891.

13.—3 Installations, viz: Joseph Rennie, Oxford, May 24th, 1891; E. E. Bigger, Washington, May 31st, 1891; C. G. Vardell, New Bern, June 21st, 1891.

14.—Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations, viz: L. C. Vass and New Bern, November 28th, 1890; J. C. McMullen and Goldsboro, March 31st, 1891; Alexander Sprunt and Henderson, July 12th, 1891.

15.—Licensures, none.

16.—12 Ministers in charge of 18 Churches; 9 Pastors; 1 Stated Supply; 6 Evangelists; no Licentiates; no Foreign Missionary.

17.—2 Churches vacant; 5 others just supplied within last 30 days.

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18—$946.15, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches, as supplemented by Presbytery. Does not include value of Manses.

19.—9 Manses, aggregate value, $21,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 14 Counties viz: Dare, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Greene. Hertford, Hyde, Northampton, Pamlico, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Washington.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Washington on ... day of ....., 189..

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: J. N. H. SUMMERELL,
Stated Clerk.

At Rocky Mount Church, on 21st day of September, 1891.

B.

REPORT OF PRESBYTERIES ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

I.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1891:

1.—29	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$ 552 00
2.—30	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	948 00
3.—26	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	210 00
4.—29	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	2675 00
5.—29	"	"	"	Education	477 00
6.—27	"	"	"	Publication	144 00
7.—17	"	"	"	Church Erection	116 00
8.—23	"	"	"	Tuskaloosa Institute	79 00
9.—5	"	"	"	Bible Cause	36 00
10.—14	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	961 00
	Total				$6198 00

Being $1,296 more than was raised the year before. Thirty-three Churches reported, and two of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and twenty-eight to one or more of them.

Seven Churches made no report, viz: Bethesda, Bethlehem, Calah, Griers, Mebane's, Oak Forest and Yanceyville.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: H. T. DARNALL,
Stated Clerk.

At Westminster Church, on 14th day of April, 1891.

II.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1891:

1.—23	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$ 549 00
2.—28	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	1027 00
3.—26	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	149 00
4.—30	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	2787 00
5.—28	"	"	"	Education	839 00
6.—24	"	"	"	Publication	110 00
7.—	"	"	"	Colportage	
8.—21	"	"	"	Tuskaloosa Institute	87 00
9.—12	"	"	"	Bible Cause	140 00
10.—24	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	2008 00
				Total	$7696 00

Being $1,798 more than was raised the year before. Thirty Churches reported, and eleven of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and nineteen to one or more of them.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: WM. W. PHARR,
Stated Clerk.

At Lenoir Church, on 12th day of April, 1891.

III.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1891:

1.—42	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$ 343 59
2.—46	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	1126 41
3.—38	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	183 75
4.—47	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	3539 49
5.—43	"	"	"	Education	433 41
6.—33	"	"	"	Publication	141 61
7.—17	"	"	"	Colportage	62 00

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8.—25	Churches contributed	to	Tuskaloosa Institute	$	98 55
9.—15	"	"	" Bible Cause		75 45
10.—21	"	"	" Miscellaneous		522 00
Total				$	6526 26

Being $2,015.27 more than was raised the year before. Fifty-four Churches reported, and twelve of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and forty-two to one or more of them. Eleven Churches made no report.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: P. R. LAW,
Stated Clerk.

At Dunn Church, on 10th day of October, 1891.

IV.—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1891:

1.—28	Churches contributed	to	Sustentation	$	219 07
2.—28	"	"	" Evangelistic Fund		2687 75
3.—26	"	"	" Invalid Fund		304 08
4.—24	"	"	" Foreign Missions		2491 58
5.—24	"	"	" Education		525 73
6.—21	"	"	" Publication		146 15
7.—	"	"	" Colportage		
8.—23	"	"	" Tuskaloosa Institute		128 24
9.—	"	"	" Bible Cause		
10.—28	"	"	" Church Erection		3294 32
11.—8	"	"	" Miscellaneous		2684 00
Total				$	12,480 92

Being $321.70 less than was raised the year before. Thirty-one Churches reported, and nineteen of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and twelve to one or more of them. Eight Churches made no report.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: A. McFADYEN,
Stated Clerk.

At White Hall Church, on 17th day of October, 1891.

V.—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1891:

1.—46	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$7709 00
2.—32	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	3137 00
3.—28	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	336 00
4.—45	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	7015 00
5.—39	"	"	"	Education	1394 00
6.—29	"	"	"	Publication	208 00
7.—23	"	"	"	Church Erection	202 00
8.—21	"	"	"	Tuskaloosa Institute	195 00
9.—13	"	"	"	Bible Cause	130 00
10.—27	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	5249 00
Total					$25,485 00

Being $3,396 00 more than was raised the year before. Sixty-five Churches reported, and seven of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and fifty-eight to one or more of them

Five Churches made no report, viz: Duncan's Creek, Drusilla, Waco, Weaverton, Waynesville. Average salary paid to twenty-five Ministers, $731.00.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest:

R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Stated Clerk.

At Union Church, on 16th day of April, 1891.

VI.—PRESBYTERY OF ALBEMARLE.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Albemarle respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31st, 1891:

1.—16	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$ 461 00
2.—18	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	860 00
3.—12	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	139 00
4.—16	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	1597 00

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5.—14	Churches	contributed	to	Education	$ 248 00
6.—12	"	"	"	Publication	144 00
7.—13	"	"	"	Church Erection	256 00
8.—9	"	"	"	Tuskaloosa Institute	55 00
9—3	"	"	"	Bible Cause	31 00
10.—10	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	3445 00
	Total				$6980 00

Being $1,663 more than was raised the year before. Nineteen Churches reported, and two of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and eighteen to one or more of them.

Four Churches made no report, viz: Louisburg, Kenly, LaGrange, Raleigh Second.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: J. N. H. SUMMERELL,
Stated Clerk.

At Tarboro Church, on 14th day of April, 1891.

C.

ANNUAL REPORT OF UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA BY THE TRUSTEES.

The Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia reports to the General Assembly and Synods of Virginia and North Carolina as follows:

"At the annual meeting of the Directors in May, 1891, out of twenty-four members twenty were present. Rev. A. C. Hopkins, D. D, Rev P. D Stephenson and Hon. J. Hoge Tyler were enrolled as members. The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account reported that they had examined the same and found them correctly kept and sustained by proper vouchers. It appears from the Treasurer's report that while the income of the Seminary has been up to this time sufficient to meet all the expenses of its management, yet it has required rigid economy to do so. Thirteen students during the past session have lived in rooms rented for them outside of the Seminary buildings. There is no room available for additional students next Fall, and yet there is a reasonable prospect of increased numbers. In view of these facts the Board resolved to provide additional room by building, and in order to raise the sum of $10,000 for this purpose the Rev. W. W Moore, D. D., was appointed financial agent during the summer months

to visit the churches of the Synods of Virginia and North Carolina and elsewhere. In view of the long and serious illness of Professor Latimer, and the possibility of his being unable to resume his work at the opening of the next session, the Board offered him leave of absence for a year, if necessary, to restore his health, continuing his salary meanwhile. The other members of the Faculty are requested to apportion his work among themselves Thirty-five students matriculated, several of whom were called away during the session. The whole number in attendance has been seventy-three. Diplomas were granted to eighteen graduates. Their names will be found on page 204 of the Records of the Board, and in the report to the Assembly in its printed minutes. The Library has been enlarged by the addition of forty-two new volumes. The diligence of the students, their full attendance upon the examinations, and the faithfulness of the Professors, are commended. Rev. T. C. Johnson was unanimously elected to the Professorship of English Bible Study and Pastoral Theology, and the Rev C. C. Hersman, D. D., was unanimously chosen to the Professorship of Biblical Literature and New Testament Interpretation, made vacant by the resignation of Dr. H. C Alexander. The Board placed upon record an expression of "the personal grief they felt on severing a connection that has happily existed so many years," and their appreciation of "the eminent ability, the profound and extensive learning, and the enthusiastic devotion to the duties of his Professorship, in which he has attracted the attention and admiration of the Church."

Annual Address for 1892 by Rev. D D. McBryde; alternate, Rev. P. D. Stephenson.

Messrs. Preston, Johnston, and Prof Martin were appointed a Committee to report at the next meeting as to the propriety of a change in the length of the Period of study in the Seminary.

Reference.—Miss A. Thomas's letter was referred to Col. J. P Fitzgerald, with full authority to represent the Board of Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in a sale of the property and the disposition of the proceeds of sale, and in making such deed as may be required concerning the property referred to in her letter.

At 12 M. Wednesday, May 6th, Rev. L. B Turnbull delivered the address of this year on the subject, "Christ the Preacher to the Common People."

At the close of the address the President delivered Diplomas to the graduates of the Senior Class.

After the minutes were read, approved, and adopted by the Board, the Board adjourned, with prayer, to meet Tuesday before the first Wednesday of May, 1892, at the call of the Secretary.

CHARLES WHITE, *Secretary.*

D.

REPORT OF AGENT ON SUSTENTATION.

Your Agent appointed at this meeting of Synod to bring in a report upon the subject of Sustentation would report that he has not been able to obtain data upon which to found a report that would be of special value to Synod, yet he desires to call attention to two facts:

First, there are sixty-six ministers of Synod, not counting those without charge, infirm or evangelists, but only those who have charge of churches, who are reported as receiving salaries of less than $800 per annum. Your agent is unable to say what the average of these small salaries is, but it cannot be over $500. If this be the average of course there are some who receive much less than this. Most of these ministers are giving all their time to the ministry, some of them have families to support, and there can be no doubt that they have to deny themselves many comforts not to speak of books and other literature. The Synod last year contributed only $9,855 to sustentation, yet if the salaries of these sixty six ministers is to be brought up to $800 per annum, $19,800 would be required. Brethren is it right that our brethren who are faithful and earnest in their work, who are instrumental in gathering scores into the Church, should thus suffer while others of us are provided with every comfort. Again, is it right that churches who are every year receiving accessions from these weak country churches should do so little to help them in their efforts to have preaching? Brethren let up do more for the cause of Sustentation

Second, we would call attention to the fact that the whole contribution of the Synod last year to the Invalid Fund was only $1,310. The Central Committee has had to scale down even the small appropriation that is made for these beneficiaries. Brethren, remember that some of them have men that have preached for Christ for scores of years, some of them are ministers cut down by disease, and some of them are widows and orphans. Remember what our Saviour has said as to what He will say at the day of judgment. He does not say that He will say inasmuch as you have gathered so many souls into my kingdom, "But inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me." While then we are interested so much in evangelizing our State and the world let us not forget the poor. Surely the Synod of North Carolina should give at least $5,000 for the Invalid Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

C. MILLER.

REPORT OF AGENT OF PUBLICATION.

The contributions to this cause from the Presbyteries for the year ending April 1st, 1891, were as follows:

Albemarle	$ 144;	Previous year		$	163
Concord	110;	"	"		75
Fayetteville	124;	"	"		124
Mecklenburg	208;	"	"		168
Wilmington	146;	"	"		112
Orange	144;	"	"		110
Total for 1891	$876;	Total for 1890			$752

We see there that our Synod's contribution to Publication is larger by $.24 this year than it was last year

We have our Colporteur in the Synod, the Rev. D. T. Towles. His record of work to October 1st, is as follows:

Days employed, 298; Miles travelled, 2,974; Sermons delivered, 38; Addresses delivered, 42; Families visited, 3,083; Sales, etc., $1,271.

Dr. Hazen writes me that Brother Towles' expenses have been light as compared with other colporteurs He has been interrupted a little this year by sickness and by accident. Dr. Hazen speaks of him in the highest terms as one of the best of colporteurs.

The annual report of the Executive Committee of Publication shows an increase of net assets during the year of $5,254 making the total assets more than $85,000, while the liabilities are practically nothing. The net income from the Publishing House was larger than in any previous year. The royalty from the Sabbath-school papers amounted to over $3,000, which is more than has ever been received from this source heretofore. There has been an increase in the business of the depository over any previous year, and several valuable additions have been made to the committee's list of publications.

As to our Sabbath-school papers the report is in every way encouraging. The *Children's Friend* has reached an issue of over 20,000, while that of the *Earnest Worker* is now about 12,000 with a larger percentage of increase during the year than in any previous year. A similar growth is noted in the lists of the *Quarterly* and the *Lesson Papers*.

When now we turn to the Colportage Department of the work, we find great reason for discouragement in the fact that the Church does not see fit to contribute to the funds necessary for its vigorous prosecution. In

the circular sent out by the Publication Committee last spring just before the March collection for this cause, it was shown that a large increase of contributions was needed for any adequate and vigorous prosecution of our general colportage work; that this was required even to maintain it in its present efficiency, much more if it was to be enlarged; it was shown that the work already had drawn from the treasury of the committee funds that ought properly to have been employed in other departments; it was shown that during the last twenty years contributions to the cause of Foreign Missions have increased fourfold; contributions to Home Missions have doubled; but there has been no increase whatever in the funds contributed to the cause of Publication. During the same period the membership of the Church has more than doubled, but the 168,000 members give no more to the cause of Publication than did the 82,000 twenty years ago. It was further shown that not less than $16,000 was imperatively needed to put this work in such a condition of efficiency as circumstances demand. But these facts and the appeal based upon them apparently had no effect and the collection of last March instead of being greater was even a little less than that of the preceding year. In view of these facts and this result the Executive Committee, convinced that it would be unwise for them to further cripple their proper work of Publication by diverting their funds into the colportage channel, a purely benevolent Home Mission cause, resolved to confine their appropriations for the colportage work and for donations to such funds as should be contributed by the Churches and intrusted to the committee for that purpose. This action of the Executive Committee, the General Assembly of last spring approved, and at the committee's suggestion, determined to raise this year through all her churches the sum of $20,000 for the vigorous prosecution of this vitally important branch of our Home Mission work. That this momentous change of method may be thoroughly understood, I will quote a part of the report adopted by the last General Assembly touching this matter.

"The Colportage work." I am now quoting, "The Colportage work which was commenced several years ago, and which promised such good results, has been crippled for the lack of funds, and must be abandoned unless means are provided for its support. The colportage work has been largely sustained by funds drawn from the Publishing House. As this was crippling the work of this department, the committee have decided to confine the support of the colportage work to such funds as may be contributed for that cause. We recommend (so continues the report) that this action of the committee be approved, and that after the present contract with the colporteurs has expired, that appropriations for colportage work be made only from funds contributed for this specific work. It will be seen therefore, (I still quote) that the colportage work must soon cease entirely unless

efforts be made to raise funds for the work. We recommend therefore that special effort be made during the ensuing year to raise the amount of $20,000, and that the Executive Committee of Publication be instructed to apportion this amount among the Presbyteries, and that the Presbyteries be instructed to apportion the amount among the churches. This would only require the small amount of 12 cents per member." So far the Assembly's adopted action.

Now let us observe that at 12 cents a member our Synod's apportionment would amount to about $3,240. If ten per cent. of this were directed to the general work and the rest devoted to colportage work within our own State, we could easily therewith sustain four colporteurs. The importance of their aid in the great Home Mission enterprise we are undertaking it is impossible to over-estimate. The other denominations in their evangelistic work recognize the vast power and efficiency of the colportage branch of Home Missions and work it to its utmost. The simple fact is that in the great Home Mission movement which is now awakening the earnest and prayerful attention of our Synod, we cannot afford to dispense with this efficient ally. To do our work thoroughly we must follow up the work of our evangelists with the dissemination of a simple, Scriptural and sound denominational literature. In nearly every poor Methodist family you will find on the centre table right beside the Bible some such book as the Early History of Methodism, or the lives of the bishops, or the like. The children of John Wesley are wiser in their generation than the children of John Calvin. We therefore recommend:

1st. That Synod urge upon all her Presbyteries to ascertain their several apportionments to this colportage cause and to use every endeavor to raise these amounts as speedily as possible, and that the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to communicate this action to the Stated Clerks of the various Presbyteries

Our second recommendation we will preface by stating two or three lamentable facts. The reason why our colportage contributions from the various Presbyteries are so pitifully small is that so few of our churches are given any opportunity to contribute. In one-half of our churches this cause is completely ignored, and no collection taken up at all. Orange Presbytery makes far the best showing, but even in this Presbytery 32 per cent of the churches wholly ignored this cause. In Albemarle 48 per cent. took up no collection for this cause; in Fayetteville, 48 per cent; in Wilmington, 49 per cent; in Concord 57 per cent; and in Mecklenburg, 58 per cent. We therefore recommend:

2d. That the Presbyterial Agents of Publication, or more accurately of colportage, be instructed to write to every delinquent pastor and session in their several Presbyteries and lay this cause upon their hearts and consciences.

3d. We recommend to all our pastors that, in presenting this cause to their congregations, they present it as the colportage cause. The cause of Publication proper is more than self-supporting, and asks no favors of any one. That branch of the general Publication cause, known as the colportage branch, including donations of books, is what the churches really contribute to, and to the support of which all these contributions are devoted. The name Publication is utterly non-stimulating, and as far as it suggests anything at all to the average congregation, is a misnomer. The word Colportage places a self-evidently important branch of our Home Mission work before the people in a simple and definite form, and is well calculated to awake their interest and secure their support.

4th. That if the Synodical agent can do so without expense to Synod, he shall send this third recommendation to every pastor in our Synod.

EGBERT W. SMITH.

REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Presbyteries.	Number on Roll			Admitted to Communion.	Contributions for Schools.	Contributions for Beneficence.	Total.
	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.				
Concord	30	404	3355	216	$ 533 87	$ 677 45	$1211 32
Fayetteville	52	343	3038	70	930 45	280 44	1210 89
Mecklenburg							
Orange	32	306	2415	120	1153 93	340 49	1494 42
Wilmington							
Albemarle							

The incompleteness of the reports furnishes only a partial view of the work done. These reports are not in happy contrast with those of last year. The measure of success attained should, however, evoke sincere gratitude to God. It is greatly to be regretted that there is in the minds of

some of our people an inadequate conception of the importance of this arm of aggressive work. Very few of our schools contribute to all the benevolent objects of the Church. Our catechisms, Confession of Faith and Form of Government are too much neglected. The literature of our Church is used to a gratifying extent. There are no schools conducted for the colored people, the reason of which is, that they prefer schools under their own supervision. With few exceptions our schools are under the direct control of their respective sessions. The balance, $27.32, placed in the hands of your agent by Dr. Vass, your former agent, has not been expended, and as to the disposition of the same, your agent awaits the pleasure of Synod.

It is to be regretted that the following recommendation adopted at the last Synod has been disregarded, viz: "That Synod urge the Presbyteries to empower their Sabbath-school agents to appoint as many sub-agents for their respective Presbyteries as they may deem necessary for the successful prosecution of this work; said sub-agents to labor under the direction of the Presbyterial agents." Instead of one Presbyterial Sabbath-school convention each year, Wilmington Presbytery has resolved to divide its territory into districts and hold district conventions, hoping thus to increase interest in the work. Albemarle Presbytery empowered its agent to employ a Sabbath-school missionary for the Nahalah field during the months of May, June, July and August, at a salary of $25 per month, and enjoined each Sabbath-school to take a collection for this purpose the fourth Sabbath in May. Rev. E. F. Alexander was employed and did effective work in the line of establishing mission Sabbath-schools.

Your agent would call special attention to the following recommendations adopted by the General Assembly of 1891:

1. The Assembly exhorts that special attention be given in all our schools to the memorizing of the Scriptures.

2. The use of our own literature prepaid and published under the supervision of our own committee of Publication, is again urged upon all our Sabbath-schools.

3. The Assembly would reiterate its desire that collections be made in all our schools, when practicable, for each of the causes of benevolence, that our youth may be educated from their earliest years to give regularly of their means for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. SHAW, *Synodical S. S. Agent.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

In submitting this, our second annual report, the Permanent Committee begs leave to state that the sphere of synodical activity in Foreign Missions is gradually becoming more distinctly defined. According to the theory, until recently universal, that sphere was restricted to an account of the work and of the totals of contributions compiled from records which had been before the Church for months, to which was added usually a set of resolutions expressive of confidence in the work, introduced with addresses on Missions in general and enthusiastically adopted, to be at once forgotten and then readopted the following year.

In our Synod this theory has been abandoned and the result of two years of effort on a new theory serves to confirm the wisdom of the change. That new theory leads us neither to invade the sphere of the Assembly in directing the work and supplying through *The Missionary* and the Church papers full information as to its needs and its progress, nor the sphere of the Presbyteries in dealing directly with the churches; it leaves the Synod rather so to influence the Presbyteries that they may more intelligently and unitedly deal with the churches, it recognizes the state of interest existing in the churches as a proper subject for synodical inquiry, it undertakes to set forth the details of our activity with a minuteness which the Assembly's committee cannot attempt, and which, if it did, might seem to some an interference with the autonomy of Synod, and at the same time with a breadth of generalization to which no single Presbytery can attain, and it proposes for Presbyterial adoption measures calculated to raise us to a higher plane of activity than would be possible under isolated Presbyterial effort. In general, it is true of Presbyteries as of churches and individuals, that real strength lies in union.

Accordingly, your committee offers no review of the work in foreign lands, with its mingling of hope and discouragement, and no repetition of the need for more laborers, both of which are so well known to the members of the Synod that it would be presumption to occupy time therewith Neither will we at this meeting propose any new measures for developing the already existing interest, nor insist upon those now in use, such as Simultaneous Meetings, the Monthly Concert of Prayer, the Missionary Sermon, the circulation of *The Missionary*, for the reason that these were all fully considered by the Synod at Wilmington last year, and we believe that our Presbyteries are diligently promoting the use of them.

Reports of Synodical Agents—Foreign Missions.

We have concentrated our efforts this year upon the single question of the contributions of our churches. That question has not been thoroughly searched into by Synod. The calls for money are frequent enough—so frequent that some have come to believe that missions and money are synonymous terms; but those calls have not always been wisely made. Progressive giving has not been sufficiently noted; proportion in giving has scarcely been considered and the possibilities in giving arising out of the growing consecration and the deepening self-denial of our people cannot even now be estimated. So it is that our report consits of figures and the conclusions these warrant.

The following tables are bases upon the year closing April 1st, 1891, as it has been found impossible to bring the information down to any more recent date. They are only approximately correct, for the three sources—the reports of the Presbyterial agents, the Minutes of Assembly and the receipts of the Executive Committee, at Nashville, do not agree. The first named source gives our total contributions as $21,745; the second as $20,393, and the third as $19,795, which is a variation of nearly $2,000. The Executive Committee credits Concord Presbytery with $100 more than its own receipts justify, and Fayetteville Presbytery with $1,085 less than the agent reports. We have used these sources in the order named and with assiduous care but we are not sure that in every detail the results are absolutely correct

I.

The following table exhibits our comparative activity in the years 1890 and 1891:

Table A.

Presbyteries.		No. Members.	No. Churches.	No. Contributing Churches.	Contributed.	No. Sabbath Schools.**	No. Contributing Sabbath Schools.	Contributed.	No. Societies Contributed.	Contributed.	Total.	Average.
Albemarle	1890	1575	22	21	260	14	3	48	4	248	973	61
"	1891	1691	23	17	1253†	20	5	103	6	560	1708	1 01
Concord	1890	4517	47	30	859	33	8	204	31	835	2492	55
"	1891	4417	49	37	1289*	38	16	515	29	1352	3156	70
Fayetteville	1890	7025	66	52	1144	42	19	348	38	1209	2655	37
"	1891	7142	64	51	2002	45	23	221	43	1790	4013	56
Mecklenburg	1890	6755	59	41	1395	42	16	336	25	3065	6128	90
"	1891	7124	67	57	3443*	42	16	547	29	3179	7170	1 00
Orange	1890	3832	39	35	1245	34	13	245	17	461	1617	42
"	1891	3742	40	31	1525	33	4	206	16	1316	3046	81
Wilmington	1890	2485	39	24	1247	22	5	85	10	933	2218	89
"	1891	2812	39	29	705	24	4	69	15	1670	2576	91
Totals of Synod	1890	26189	272	203	6117	187	64	1232	125	6651	15712	62
" " "	1891	26988	282	222	10217	202	68	1661	135	9867	21745	83

*Includes Miscellaneous. †Includes "Personal." **No. for 1891, taken from Minutes Synod 1890.

Three facts appear very conspicuously from this showing:

1. Our Synod gave almost one-fifth or twenty per cent. of the total receipts from churches, Sabbath-schools and societies—that is $21,745 of $107,744.

2. Our Synod has increased her contributions during the past year by almost forty per cent. We are $6,033 ahead of the figures reported last year at Wilmington.

3. Our Synod stands first among the Synods in the average per member. Last year we gave 62 cents and this year 83 cents, an increase of 21 cents per member, and the highest average in the Assembly, Nashville being the nearest approach, with 80 cents per member. There can be no surer evidence of our growing responsiveness to the Master's call than facts like these, and there can be no greater encouragement to renewed efforts in the future.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg, with $7,170, leads her sister Presbyteries throughout the Church, the next being the Presbytery of Lexington, which gave $6,051 or $1,119 less. The highest average within our bounds is in the smallest Presbytery, Albemarle which gave $1.01 per member. The greatest increase in average is in Orange, which with a decrease of 90 in membership, has nearly doubled its average—81 cents as against 42 cents.

This is no spasmodic movement liable to relapse hereafter. The figures show that it is not an herculean effort of a few but a steady advance, proportioned to advance in the churches from which the gifts come. We have 282 churches, 10 more than last year; we have 222 contributing churches, 19 more than last year; and from these 222 churches we have $10,219, an increase of $4,100 over last year. We have 202 Sabbath-schools, 15 more than last year; we have 68 contributing Sabbath-schools, 4 more than last year, from which we have $1,661, an increase of $429. We have 135 contributing societies—men's, ladies and children's, 10 more than last year, and these gave $9,867, an increase of $3,116. This is not only great progress but healthy progress, for it is based on the progress of our churches, our Sabbath-schools and our societies.

This progress is manifest in another direction. We are approximating the equality between Home Missions and Foreign Missions, which is the normal state of a Church, whose commission is to go into all the world and preach the Gospel. To Home Missions, including Sustentation, Evangelistic and Church erection, we gave last year $24,539 as against $21,745 for Foreign Missions.

II.

This forward movement was made by individual churches. The liberality of some of these is worthy of special mention, and the following table shows their contributions classified according to the figures at the head of each column:

Table B.

$2,400.	$1,700.	$1,000.	$900.	$700.	$600.
Charlotte, 1st 1	Wilm'gt'n, 1st 1	Charlotte, 2d Winston. 2	Maxton. 1	Raleigh, 1st 1	Laurinburg 1

$500.	$400.	$300.	$200.	$100.
Asheville, 1st.	Statesville.	Mooresville.	Henderson.	Newbern.
Gr'usboro, 1st	Concord, 1st.	Rocky River.	Washington.	Goldsboro.
2	Sugar Creek.	Ashpole.	Davidson Coll.	Centre. (C.)
	3	St. Andrews (W)	Centre (F.)	Salisbury.
			4 Laurel Hill.	Poplar Tent.
			Steele Creek.	Fayetteville.
			Sharon.	St. Pauls.
			Providence.	Lumberton.
			Mallard Creek.	Lumb'rBridge
			Gastonia.	Monroe.
			W'stmin'st'r(O)	Alamance.
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A letter after a church indicates the Presbytery to which it belongs.

Thirty-seven Churches gave $100 and over, and their contributions amount to more than $12,500

But while we rejoice that God put it into the hearts of His people in these churches to give so large a part of our combined offering, we are of opinion that this table does not present a true exhibit of the liberality of the Church. It is based upon dollars and cents only, irrespective of the differences among these churches. It places the church with hundreds of members on the same level as the church with but a score of members. It tends to glorify the larger churches at the expense of the weaker ones, and the effect must be depressing upon the latter. This is not the Scriptural test, for of churches as of men, the rule is "every one according to his several ability," and as the weaker churches are and always will be, the large majority, any showing calculated to discourage their efforts or to foster a sense of their unimportance, must be of baleful influence.

Your Committee, therefore, submits the following table, which is based on the ratio between membership and contributions to Foreign Missions. It places some churches which have not given $50 far above other churches which have given hundreds. It rescues from obscurity churches that can

never hope, under their present circumstances, to rise very high in the preceding table, but which in the Master's sight, are as well-pleasing as those whose praise is before all men because of their large gifts.

The calculations of this table are exact. The arithmetic is remorseless. Some churches miss a place in the table by only one dollar and other churches miss by no larger sum a place in the column next above that in which they are found. The highest figures credited to a church in whichever one of the three sources these are found are invariably used in this table.

Table C.

$7.00.	$5.00.	$4.00.	$2.00.	$1.75.
Maxton, 1	Turkey Cove 1	Charlotte, 1st. Winston, Wilm'gton, 1st 3	Raleigh, 1st. Henderson, Davidson Coll. Laurinburg. Gulf. 5	Sugar Creek. Charlotte, 2d. Westminster, (O) 3

$1.50.	$1.25.	$1.00.	75 c.	50 c.
Statesville. Concord. Lumberton. Asheville, 1st. Providence. Monroe. 6	Mooresville Laurel Hill Greensboro, 1st. St. Andrews, (W) 4	Washington. Mocksville. Centre, (C.) Rocky River. Poplar Tent. Smyrna. Sardis. Pee Dee. Jonesboro. Sharon. Shelby. MallardCreek Shiloh. Gastonia. Mebane. Red House, 16	Tarboro. Newbern. Cann Memori'l Goldsboro. Lenoir. Morganton. Lebanon. Centre. (F.) Lumber Bridge Ashpole. Long Creek. Matthews. Wadesboro. Buffalo. Clinton. Whiteville. 16	Nut Bush. Oak Hill. Third Creek. Elmwood. Greenlee. Salisbury. Iona. McPherson. Bethesda. (F.) St. Paul's. Red Springs. Pittsboro. Steele Creek. Franklin, (M.) Union, (M.) H'nd'rs'nville Lowell. Polkton. Rutherfordt'n Burlington. Chapel Hill. Midway. Graham. Leaksville. Madison. Mt. Horeb. Mt. Olive. South River. 28

A letter after a church indicates the Presbytery to which it belongs.

Eighty-one churches gave 50 cents per member and over, Maxton, with 117 members, in Fayetteville Presbytery, leads them all. Turkey Cove church, in Concord Presbytery, with eight members and one elder stands second, although its offering was only $46. All honor to Turkey Cove! The last in membership is among the first in liberality. That little band of eight gave their $5.70 per member, doubtless without expecting that their act would reach the ears of the Synod of North Carolina; yet that act is worthy of the cordial recognition of the Synod. It is an eloquent example of the possibilities that lie before our weaker churches. What Turkey Cove has done, can be done in scores of our churches that are languishing in inaction because they feel themselves too small to do anything worth the mention.

This table will be searched in vain for the names of certain churches found in the preceding table. The reason is, that while in some cases their contributions ran up into the hundreds, their average was too low to give them place in even the last column! They did not contribute 50 cents per member, though they may have sent in hundreds of dollars. Little Greenlee church, in Concord Presbytery, whose nine members gave $5, is worthy of a place which churches with 200 and 300 members are unworthy. The aggregate is deceptive; the average is the true test of the liberality of our churches. Hundreds of dollars will not atone for a low average per member, and on the other hand, a high average will make the smallest total great in the eye of the Head of the Church.

The results of earnest effort are brought out clearly in the study of these figures. Churches of like membership and circumstances are utterly unlike in contributions. The difference can be accounted for only by the difference of efforts put forth. In a certain pastoral charge one church gives over $1 per member and another church in the same charge having nearly a hundred more members gives 19 cents per member. One pastorate of four churches, with a combined membership of nearly 400, contributed $26, an average of 6½ cents per member. If we note zeal and progress in some, we must also note the lamentable remissness that appears in others.

III.

These figures are spread before Synod for a definite purpose. The report of the past must be the basis of the future and not an excuse for self-complacent inactivity. At Birmingham, last May, the General Assembly, "in view of the call, sounding now more loudly than ever for both men and women in the foreign field," laid "it upon the conscience of the Church, and for the sake of her dear Lord, to raise, within the ensuing year, the sum of $150,000 for this cause." The burden was laid deliberately in view, not only of the needs of the work, but also of recent increase in liberality

throughout the Church. We are a part of the Church and upon us rests a share of that burden, and the figures given above all bear upon the question, Shall we raise our share of the $150,000?

That share is $30,000. It was shown above that we raised about a fifth or twenty per cent of the whole last year, and if we are to maintain our honorable place we must raise no less this year. This will be an increase of $8,255 over our highest figures for last year, and of $10,205 over our lowest, or to put it differently, it will require an increase of about forty per cent. throughout the Synod. This increase distributed proportionately among the Presbyteries is as follows:

	1891.	1892.
Albemarle	$1,708	$ 2,391
Concord	3,156	4,417
Fayetteville	4,013	5,617
Mecklenburg	7,170	10,038
Orange	3,046	4,264
Wilmington	2,576	3,406
Total	$21,669	$30,133

These are large figures. We should not hastily undertake to reach them; but neither should we be frightened by them.

For three reasons your committee believes the total of $30,000 is attainable:

One is that, as shown above, *our contributions this year were an advance of almost forty per cent over last year.* If we did it once we can do it again.

A second is, that *during the first six months of this year we have, as a Synod, contributed about the same percentage of $30,000 as during the corresponding months last year, we contributed of our total for 1890.* The Treasurer at Nashville credits us with $12,169.55 to October 1st, as against $7,661.24 last year. This, in both cases, is about forty per cent. of the whole, and from the figures of last year we may reasonably hope to reach the $30,000 this year.

The other reason is, that within the current year *a number of our churches have assumed obligations, which if met, will yield a considerable part of the forty per cent. increase.* It is unnecessary now to mention these churches; it will be time enough for this when those obligations are discharged. But there is good ground for believing they will be discharged, and, if so, the $30,000 is attainable.

Let us not rashly commit ourselves to this undertaking. Let us reflect upon the degree of self-denial on the part of private Christians, which it will require; upon the increased vigilance and earnestness in pastors, elders and deacons it will need; upon the great change it will demand in churches now content with meagre offerings; and upon the awakening of our weaker churches to their part in the common burden. And then, let us act.

Your Committee is so impressed with the importance of the undertaking that it concentrates its recommendations upon this alone, and offers for adoption the one resolution following:

Resolved, THAT THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA HAS HEARD THE ASSEMBLY'S CALL FOR $150,000 AND WILL ENDEAVOR TO RAISE HER FIFTH OF IT, $30,000.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. PLUMER BRYAN, *Chairman*.

E. E. BIGGER, *Albemarle*. ALFRED T. GRAHAM, *Concord*.

JOSEPH EVANS, *Fayetteville*. FRANK D. HUNT, *Mecklenburg*.

J. HORACE LACY, *Orange*. WM. McC. MILLER, *Wilmington*.

Asheville, November 1st, 1891.

EDUCATION.

REPORT OF THE AGENT OF EDUCATION OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

A general view of the work of education within the bounds of our Synod is perhaps encouraging in different respects. The general interest in education seems to be increasing So far as our information goes, the schools, and especially institutions of higher grade, are unusually well patronized. The colleges male and female generally report a fuller attendance than usual. This state of things emphasizes the importance and urgency of the Church's faithfulness and diligence in the branch of education in which she is specially concerned as a Church. As general intelligence increase, the more is it necessary, it would seem, for the Church, not only to seek for a sufficient number of laborers, but especially to see that they are properly furnished in this respect, to meet the demands of this changing state of things. This matter is one of vital importance to the Church and should receive her serious consideration and practical support. This work of education is the chief means and way of a regular supply of ministers. And it

does seem that this cause has not received the consideration and support that its importance demands, as some of the following facts show:

There are in all seventy-one candidates for the ministry under the care of the several Presbyteries of Synod. Of this number twenty are in the Theological Seminary, thirty-five in college, seven in preparatory schools and seven engaged in secular work There are two colored candidates at Tuscaloosa. As an interesting fact, it might be noted that there are eight candidates from the Church in the one county of Guilford, nearly one-ninth of the entire number of candidates in the Synod.

Forty-five of our candidates are receiving aid from the Church. The amount promised to them was $4,025 while the amount contributed during the year to this cause by our churches was only $3,420. Of this sum Mecklenburg Presbytery, which conducts its own educational work, contributed $1,200, which is more than one half of the amount contributed by all the other five Presbyteries, which co-operate with the Assembly's Committee. These Presbyteries contributed $2,220, and drew back from the Assembly's Committee $2,725, more than $500 in excess of their contributions.

It is a significant fact that fifty of our candidates come from families in the country, and only twenty-one are from towns or cities, which is altogether out of proportion to the number of communicants represented by churches in the country and towns respectively.

In view of these facts, it is respectfully recommended, that Synod earnestly urge upon our Presbyteries to see to it that this cause be not neglected, but that it receive the full consideration its importance demands, and that the proper efforts be made to raise their apportionment of the sum asked for by our General Assembly as proposed by the Assembly's Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. McLELLAND, *Agent.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF EVANGELISTIC LABOR.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Synod's Committee of Evangelization, in submitting its third annual report, would first of all express its gratitude to God for bringing the work safely through another year—a year in which our hopes have been raised by glowing successes, our views of the possibilities of the work immeasurably expanded, and at the same time a year in which our faith has been tried

by severe disappointments. Still we have seen God's hand guiding us, and while the results of the year's work are not as great as we at one time anticipated, we believe they are greater than the most sanguine expectations of a year ago. Measured by Synods there has been no step backwards in this work, and by the blessing of God, we believe the next year's work will reveal an advance hitherto undreamed of. Since the last meeting of the Synod the Committee of Synodical Evangelization has held four meetings. The first at Greensboro, November 25th, was for the purpose of determining the work of E. W. Smith elected to the work of an evangelist by the Synod. It was then decided in view of the wide destitution that Brother Smith's especial work should be the raising of funds for placing more laborers in the field.

The second meeting, also at Greensboro, February 3d, was held pursuant to a resolution adopted at the first meeting, that the committee be called together as soon as Brother Smith reported sufficient funds for placing another man in the field. At this meeting on the basis of a subscription of $2,000 for synodical work from the Asheville church, and $621 from the Huntersville church, and $1,225 from the Sharon church, the committee decided to elect one additional general evangelist, and that further additions to the evangelistic force should be local or district evangelists, who should either be settled in a definitely prescribed territory, or at least continue in such territory until the field was prepared to turn over to another man. The salary of the general evangelist was fixed at $2,000, the same as that of the men already in the field, and that of the district or local evangelists from $800 to $1,800, according to age, experience, family, and the nature of the work required. Rev. W. E. McIlwain was elected general evangelist, and Rev. J. C. McMullen was elected special or district evangelist. The chairman was also authorized to visit the Seminary and secure young men for the work. At the same meeting the committee was informed that Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D , for domestic reasons felt compelled to give up the work, and Rev. J. M. Rose, Jr., was elected general evangelist, his election to take effect on Dr. Morton's retiring. On account of the increasing demands of the work upon the time of the chairman and treasurer of the committee, both offices were devolved upon the chairman, together with all other executive duties, and a salary of $300 and expenses was voted him. Subsequently the chairman was authorized to add Rev. Robert P. Pell to the force, and assign him work in Concord Presbytery. Shortly after the Greensboro meeting, the work of the committee met with a heavy blow in the failure of Brother Smith's health, and the stopping of the large subscriptions that his work promised to secure. This ultimately led to his resignation and the calling together of the committee in Fayetteville, June 26th, to take action upon it and provide for the exigencies that had arisen

in consequence. The committee could not see its way clear to accept Brother Smith's resignation, but granted him leave of absence for six months on half salary. Less than that the committee did not feel would be justice to one whose labors had been so fruitful, and more than that the state of the finances would not justify. At the same time the committee feeling the importance of an agent to collect subscriptions already made, to secure new subscriptions and to be a constant medium of communication between the committee and the churches, called the chairman of the committee to this work for his whole time at the same salary as that of the general evangelist, at the same time providing that all of his time not required for administrative duties should be given to evangelistic work. This work he prosecuted till a few weeks ago, when on the return of Brother Smith to the work, he turned over to him the financial agency and gave his time to the evangelistic work and the duties of administration.

The fourth meeting of the committee was held in this city on yesterday to prepare the annual report and lay plans for the Synod for the further prosecution of the work.

The committee had in the field during the year in all eight evangelists. Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D , from the last Synod until October, Rev. C. W. Maxwell from the Synod until August, Rev. E. W. Smith from January to the present, with the intermission of active labor before mentioned, Rev. W. E. McIlwain from April to the present, Rev. J. C. McMullen from April to November, Rev. R. P. Pell from May to the present, Rev. Alexander Sprunt from July to the present, and Rev. J. M. Rose from October to the present.

The following is a summary of the reports of the evangelists of last year's work.

Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., reports since last Synod, from October 22, 1890, to October 11, 1891, 583 services held, 317 confessions of Christ made, 218 additions to the Presbyterian church, 1 church organized, 4 officers installed and $1,040 raised in subscriptions to this work.

Dr. Morton has been an evangelist since June 7, 1889, to October 11, 1891, and in this time has held 1,291 services, witnessed 806 confessions, seen 578 added to the Presbyterian church, installed 7 officers and secured in cash subscriptions for evangelistic work $2,241.86.

Rev. C. W. Maxwell has organized 1 church, visited 43 churches and preached 225 sermons. Mr. Maxwell has accompanied Dr. Morton in his labors.

Rev. W. E. McIlwain has held 120 services in twelve places; received twenty on profession of faith, and collected $350; organized one church and assisted in organizing two others.

Reports of Synodical Agents—Evangelistic Labor.

Rev. R. P. Pell has been a pioneer evangelist and no tabulated statement can be given of his work. He has labored eighteen weeks and has traveled in his buggy about 1,200 miles, preached about 100 times and received thirty-five additions to the church, and organized one church.

Rev. E. W. Smith reports having labored seven weeks and raised in subscriptions the sum of $10,310, and held about fifty services, having visited but five churches.

Rev. John C. McMullen has also been a pioneer evangelist, but reports seventy-one sermons preached, eight persons received, baptized eight persons, organized one church, one elder ordained and has three churches in process of erection

Rev. J. M. Rose, Jr., has been laboring as an evangelist only one month and has visited seven places and preached fifty-seven times. He reports twelve confessions and nine additions to the church.

Rev. Alexander Sprunt, besides conducting the work of secretary, treasurer and superintendent of the work, has preached seventy-four sermons since July, and secured in cash and subscriptions for the work $1,700.

SUMMARY.

These laborers have held since their appointment (or during the past year) 1,135 services; added to the Presbyterian Church 364; organized seven churches, and raised in cash and subscriptions for the work $13,540.

The committee cannot close its report of the work of the year without expressing its appreciation of the valuable labor of those of its evangelists who have been providentially compelled to retire from our service. The faithful and indefatigable labors of Brother McMullen and Brother Maxwell have produced lasting results for good, for which the Church should be duly grateful. To Brother Morton your committee feels that the Synod is under a peculiar and lasting obligation, inasmuch as the whole future of our work depended upon the character of the first man placed in the field.

Dr. Morton at once gave to our work a standing and dignity before the church, which has placed it upon a plane that it will be the aim of this committee to maintain in all its future operations.

WORK AND POLICY.

Synod recognizes that upon it and its Presbyteries is laid the responsibility for the evangelization of its territory so far as it can be done by the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and in humble reliance upon the Head of the Church, receives this trust from His hand and pledges itself to its faithful prosecution.

It shall be the policy of the Synod in the prosecution of this work not to increase the force of general evangelists now in the field, but retaining them for their great work of visiting, encouraging, and building up our feeble churches and mission points to enlarge the work by adding a force of Home Missionaries in fields sufficiently small for efficient and permanent work, which local evangelists shall become members of and be entirely under control of the Presbytery in which the fields are located.

The importance of this work is so immense, and its results so far reaching that the committee is authorized for the ensuing year to set apart a financial agent whose whole time may be devoted to the work of laying this cause upon the hearts and consciences of our churches and people, that these local evangelists may be multiplied until there is no part of our State that is not reached by the influence of our Church.

ORGANIZATION.

The offices of Agent of Sustentation and Agent of Evangelistic Labor shall be discontinued and Synod shall annually elect a Superintendent of Synodical Missions, who shall be ex-officio, chairman, secretary and treasurer of the Synodical committee; it shall be his duty to keep the churches and Presbyterial committees informed of the state and needs of the work; to carry on all correspondence that is necessary for directing the movements of the evangelists in the field, and for securing additional men when needed; to visit Presbyteries and churches in the interest of the work; to do the work of an evangelist as time and opportunity permit, especially in the preparatory organization of new fields. He shall receive, collect and disburse all funds of the committee, and shall submit his accounts in detail to the committee once a year to be presented to the Synod with their annual report. His salary shall be the same as that of the general evangelist.

The control of this work between the meetings of Synod shall as heretofore be in the hands of a committee consisting of the chairmen of the Committees of Home Missions in the different Presbyteries, one elder from each Presbytery, the Financial Agent and the Chairman elected by the Synod, but for convenience in the dispatch of ordinary business it shall appoint a sub-committee of its own members, of which the Superintendent shall be ex-officio chairman.

The executive committee shall meet as often as may be necessary according to rules of its own adoption but the general committee shall ordinarily meet only once a year to prepare the report to Synod, but on the demand of any two members of the executive committee, or any six members of the general committee, the Chairman shall call the general committee together in special session, and its decision shall be final on all questions until the meeting of the Synod.

The Executive Committee shall submit all of its records to the General Committee at least once a year, and the General Committee shall report annually to the Synod upon the whole work done. It shall collect through the Chairman information as to the work done by the Presbyteries, and in general embody all the results of Home Mission work within our bounds, as well as contributions to the work without our bounds, in its annual report to the Synod.

FINANCIAL.

In view of the wide spread destitution in the Southwest, and in view of the fact that the Indian work of our Church is now under the care of the Assembly's Home Missions, the Synod of North Carolina without diminishing the contributions now made to the Assembly's Executive Committee, undertakes to relieve the Central Treasury of all obligations for Home Mission work within our bounds, and will hereafter supply the demands of our weaker Presbyteries.

The obligations now assumed by the committee involve an annual expenditure of $10,000. Of this amount Synod undertakes to raise $5,000 through its general collections, apportioned among its Presbyteries as follows: Orange, $875; Concord, $875; Fayetteville, $875; Wilmington $750; Mecklenburg, $1,150; Albemarle, $475.

The following compose the membership of the General Committee for next year: Rev. Alexander Sprunt, Chairman, Rev. E. W Smith, Rev. D. I. Craig and Mr. J. M. Rogers, Rev. C. A. Munroe and Jas. G. Hall, Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., and J. W. McNeill, M. D , Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D., and Mr. B. F. Hall, Rev W. E. McIlwain and Mr. John E. Oates, Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., and Mr. J. R. Young.

REPORT OF AGENT OF EVANGELISTIC LABOR.

Much of the evangelistic work of the Synod has been reported to the Synod by the Committee of Evangelistic Labor. The following summary of what is being done by our Presbyteries gives us occasions for devout thanksgiving to God for the development of the Master's kingdom amongst us.

The Presbytery of Orange reports thirteen counties in their borders and three of these are without a Presbyterian church. These counties are Alleghany, Person and Stokes—with a total population of 38,873 souls Last year four counties were reported in this Presbytery and without a Presby-

terian church; but one of these counties, (Ashe), was at the last meeting of Synod transferred to Concord Presbytery from which Presbytery it was taken only the year before. There appears no gain therefore in this Presbytery in its efforts to extend our Church to those counties where we have no organization.

One church has been organized in Surry county, where we have had an organization at Mt. Airy. The new organization is one for the colored members of our church at Elkin.

There is but one evangelist in this Presbytery, Rev. Simon G. Walker, a colored man recently ordained as evangelist to his race in the bounds of this Presbytery. Three other ministers do evangelistic work in the Presbytery.

Rev. Alex. Sprunt, Superintendent of Evangelistic Labor in Synod preached about fifteen times in the Presbytery and raised about $350 for Synod's work. Rev. E. W. Smith preached six times and raised $5,234.

The sum of $482 has been contributed for evangelistic purposes in this Presbytery since the last meeting of Synod. Of this, $156 was for Presbyterial use, and $326 for the Synod, and $75 for the Assembly. They receive nothing from the General Assembly's Committee for mission work in the bounds of the Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Concord has sixteen counties and three of them without a church of our denomination, (Ashe, Yancey and Yadkin; with a population of 38,908).

Last year this Presbytery reported an additional county without a Presbyterian church (Mitchell). They have recently organized a church in this county at Elk Park, through the efficient services of Rev. Robt. P. Pell, one of our Synodical evangelists.

There is no Presbyterial evangelist in the Presbytery, though four of their ministers are doing evangelistic work at seven or eight different places.

Through the services of Synod's evangelists in this Presbytery seventy-six additions are reported to the churches and one church organized.

Rev. Alex Sprunt, Superintendent of Home Missions in the Synod, preached 48 sermons in the bounds of the Presbytery, through whose services between $900 and $1,000 was raised for Synod's work of evangelization.

The Presbytery does not "co operate" with the Assembly's committee of Home Missions in evangelistic work. They, however, send one collection annually to the Assembly's committee for use in other parts of our territory. They have very urgent need of four evangelists in this Presbytery—one in Watauga and Mitchell counties, one in Yancey county, one in Ashe county and one in Yadkin county.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville has seven counties and none of them without a Presbyterian church.

They report no new churches organized during the past ecclesiastical year.

They have one very efficient evangelist in the field, the Rev. A. R Shaw, through whose services five hundred persons are said to have confessed Christ since last November.

Besides their Presbyterial evangelist, two other ministers, (Messrs. Thom and McLeod), do evangelistic work.

The Presbytery has contributed for evangelistic work in their own bounds $1,400; and to the Synod's work, $500; and to the Assembly's work, $200.

The Presbytery of Wilmington embraces ten counties, and in one of them, (Brunswick), there is no Presbyterian church. This county has a population of 10,900. No new churches have been organized in the Presbytery since the last meeting of Synod.

They have three evangelists in the field—Rev. Messrs. J. D. Sanford, Letcher Smith and W. McC. Miller. They labored at sixteen points, of which eight were organized churches. Rev. Letcher Smith has just been dismissed to another Presbytery, but his place will be supplied as soon as possible.

Synodical Evangelists Morton and Maxwell held eight protracted meetings in nine churches,(two churches uniting in one meeting),and one service each in two other churches. There were marked manifestations of revival in five of their meetings and good accomplished in the others. Dr. Morton held ninety services and Mr. Maxwell seventy; Dr. Morton made seventy pastoral visits and Mr. Maxwell eighty-four; and seventy confessions were made with sixty-four additions to the churches. The sum of $ 74.94 was collected by the evangelists for Synod's work, and congregations were made more efficient as to pastoral support. Rev. J C McMullen labored very effectively in our eastern territory and did much to get a very demoralized field into shape for future work.

Of the money raised for Presbyterial missions, $550 was for evangelistic work, (including student help), and $450 more was contributed by the fields served, which, with $1,200 contributed by the First church, Wilmington, for the support of its mission, makes $2,200 in all. Of money raised for Assembly's work, the Assembly's Executive Committee appropriated $103 to evangelistic labor.

This Presbytery does its own work apart from the Assembly's committee, but sends one annual collection to the Assembly's committee for the general work of the church.

The chairman of the committee of Home Missions in this Presbytery gives this further information: "I would simply add to the above that a number

of our pastors do more or less evangelistic work, one pastor having five regular preaching places besides his churches, and several others one or two each. Our outlook is more hopeful than in former years, but we are still greatly embarrassed for want of men. We have one field which we want the Synod to occupy for us. We have one evangelistic field where we could support a man if we could find him, and we need the whole time of one more man, and half the time of another to at all adequately supply our field." This does not take into consideration the county without a church.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg has nineteen counties within its borders, and in three of them there is no church of our denomination. These three are Cherokee, Madison and Graham; and their combined population is 31,094. In Murphy, the county seat of Cherokee, there is a new church building, costing $800 or $1,000, and the nucleus of a church, but no organization.

Last year this Presbytery reported that there were four counties in its borders without a Presbyterian church but there is this year a new one organization at Dillsboro in Jackson county. The new church begins work with two elders, two deacons and sixteen members. Besides this new organization there are other new churches as follows, viz: In Union county, Stevens Church with two elders, one deacon and twenty-seven members; In Mecklenburg county, Newells church with two elders, two deacons, thirty-five members; In Lincoln county, Ironton church, with three elders, two deacons and thirty-two members; in Cleveland county, Waco church, with one elder and 16 members; in Rutherford county, Weaverton church, with one elder, one deacon and ten members; in Transylvania county, Brevard church,with two elders,two deacons and twenty-nine members; Belmont, in Gaston county, with four elders, two deacons and thirty-two members; Banks church, Union county, three elders, two deacons and forty members; in Buncombe county, in Asheville, Bethany church (colored) with one elder, one deacon and ten members.

This makes a total of ten new church organizations in this Presbytery since the last meeting of Synod. In these ten new churches there are twenty-one elders, fifteen deacons and 247 members

There is one evangelist in the field, Rev. Jonas Barclay, who labors in Union and Anson counties and has eight or ten different mission points in connection with two small organizations. In addition to this brother the Presbytery aids in the support of Rev. H. M. Dixon; Rev. M R. Kirkpatrick, Rev. J. T. Wade, Rev. E. A. Sample; Rev. M. A. Henderson, Rev F. D. Hunt, Rev. D. F. Sheppard, Rev. R. S. Brown and Rev. G. A. Sparrow. These all do more or less work in destitute places where we have no organized churches.

Reports of Synodical Agents—Evangelistic Labor.

Synodical Evangelist, W. D. Morton, D. D., held eighty-four services at seven different places, received forty-seven persons into the church and secured $424 in cash and subscriptions for the Synod's work of evangelization.

Synodical Evangelist, W E. McIlwain, has held 120 services in twelve places, received twenty on examination, and collected in cash and subscriptions $350 and has organized one church (Weaverton) assisted in the organization of Brevard church and reorganized or completed the organization of Dillsboro and Sandy Plains by ordaining and installing elders and deacons where there were no officers, and visited at least 100 families.

About $600 has been contributed to evangelistic work in the Presbytery, and about $1,800 for the Synod's work, and $300 for the Assembly's work; making a total for evangelistic work of about $2,700. This Presbytery does not "co-operate" with the Assembly's work of Home Missions, but agrees to pay $200 annually and this year paid $300.

The Chairman of the Committee of Home Missions in this Presbytery concludes his report by saying that in the history of the Presbytery in twenty-two years there has never been a more prosperous year in the work of Home Missions. More money has been raised, more men employed and far greater results realized. At least $3,600 has been raised for the work in the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. And when we add to this the large sums now being spent by the 1st and 2nd churches in Charlotte and the 1st church in Asheville the amount is about doubled and we expect to more than double it the coming year. And in addition to all this six new church buildings have been erected.

The Presbytery of Albemarle contains twenty-eight counties and parts of three others. In fifteen of these there is no Presbyterian church. These counties are Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Greene, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pamlico, Perquimans. Tyrrell and Washington, representing a population of 154,897 souls. Last year we reported Pitt county as without a church of our faith, but we are glad to report that recently an organization was effected here by Rev. J. N. H. Summerell and Rev W. D Morton, D. D. With the services of Rev. C. W. Maxwell the church in Franklin county, at Louisburg was reorganized. This church had for so long existed only in name that it is more proper to call it a new organization. The Rev. J. C. McMullen very recently organized a church at Kinston in Lenoir county and a fourth organization has been effected at Kenly in Johnston county, on the Wilson and Fayetteville division of the Atlantic Coast Line of Railroad.

Three church buildings are in process of erection and a fourth will soon be on the way.

There are four evangelists in the Presbytery though they are all of them preaching a part of their time to organized churches. These four are Rev. Messrs. F. H. Johnston, D. D., J. B. Swann, A. J. McKelway, and A. H. McArn. Besides these four evangelistic work has been done by Rev. S. H. Isler and Rev. J. C. McMullen, who has by appointment of the Synod's Committee of Evangelistic Labor divided his time between this Presbytery and the Presbytery of Wilmington.

The Rev. Dr. Morton, Synod's Evangelist, has held 167 services in the Presbytery (and witnessed 121 professions of faith made at these meetings), and received forty-three additions to our church. Rev. J. C McMullen has labored with extraordinary energy and efficiency in pioneer work. Rev. J. M. Rose has held thirty-two services at four points and witnessed four professions. This Presbytery unites with the General Assembly's Committee of Home Missions in the conduct of this work and while $372.53 was sent to the Assembly's Treasury for Evangelistic Fund we have received in return from the Assembly's Committee for evangelistic labor $600, and from the Synod's Committee of evangelistic labor $500 while we have contributed to the Synod's work $310.41.

There is very urgent need of more money and more men in this our Missionary Presbytery.

RECAPITULATION.

There are ninety-six counties in the Synod. In twenty-three of these there is no church organization of our faith and order. There have been fifteen new churches organized in the Synod since last meeting. And there are ten Presbyterial Evangelists besides the seven Synodical Evangelists doing evangelistic work in our bounds.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

Your committee, in presenting this, their second annual report, desire again to emphasize the importance of the Bible Cause. We believe it to be second in importance to few, if any, of the causes to which we contribute. Our Catechism says, "the Spirit of God maketh the reading, but especially the preaching of the Word, an effectual means of convincing and converting sinners, and building them up in holiness and comfort through faith unto salvation." The Word of God abundantly evinces the truth of this statement. Moreover, our Saviour enjoined the searching of the Scriptures, and the Bereans are commended for the performance of this duty. But in

order to be read the Scriptures must be translated, published and distributed. This is the work in which the American Bible Society is engaged. We recognize this as a work of vital importance, yet we, as a church, do not translate, publish and distribute Bibles We leave this part of the work to the American Bible Society, which does this important work for our country and, with other societies, the world. promising it to unite with other denominations in its support. Nobly has the society been doing this work. Four times has it canvassed this country, visiting every family and supplying them with a copy of the Scriptures. The first canvass was in 1829 to 1830, when the population was only 12,866,000. The second was in 1856, when the population had more than doubled, then in 1866 and last in 1882, when the population was nearly 53,000,000. Thus the Society has done a vast work for our own country, but they have now undertaken a still greater work, namely, the putting of the Bible in the hands of every child that can read in the United States, and to accomplish this they invite the aid of ministers, Sunday School Superintendents and the church generally. Of course they propose here to proceed in their old, established plans, to sell the Bible at the cost of publication when it is possible, otherwise to make a gift. But we desire to call special attention to their Foreign work. It is the Bible Society that has and is translating, publishing and distributing Bibles and Testaments in China, Japan, Brazil, Mexico and other foreign countries. They support the men who devote themselves to the work of translating the Scriptures, that is, we mean as their main work. For instance, they are now sustaining the Rev. H. B. Pratt, one of our own Ministers, who is now in the City of Mexico engaged in the work of making a new translation of the Bible with Spanish. The Society has a committee in China engaged in translating the Bible into Wenli, the language of so many millions in China. Again it is their colporteurs who are going everywhere with the missionaries preceding and following them, selling and distributing Bibles. The Society expended last year in its Foreign work $137,597.53. It is then engaged in a most important work both at home and abroad. We next desire again to call your attention to the fact that our church is not doing its duty to this great cause. Our Assembly has recognized this and for the last two years has enjoined upon all the churches the making of contributions to the Bible cause, setting apart for this purpose the third Sunday of October or as soon thereafter as convenient. They have also provided a column in their statistical tables to report contributions to this cause. Yet the church seems only beginning to wake up to its duty to this cause. We are glad to say, however, it is waking up. Last year our whole Church gave $4,592 to the Bible cause, and of this our Synod gave $643, ranging second among the Synods in contributions to this cause. Of this amount the Presbyteries of Synod contributed the following amounts in

the following order: Albemarle, the smallest Presbytery, gave the largest amount, viz: $256, which was over fifteen cents per member. Concord Presbytery is second, giving $140, a little over three cents per member. Mecklenburg Presbytery is third, giving $130, about one and three-fourths cents per member. Fayetteville is fourth, giving $81, a little over one cent per member. Orange is fifth, giving $36, which is less than one cent per member. The sixth Presbytery, Wilmington, is not reported as giving any thing to this cause. In Mecklenburg Presbytery fifteen churches contributed; in Fayetteville, thirteen; in Concord, eleven; in Albemarle, seven; in Orange, five, and in Wilmington none. Only fifty-one of the 282 churches of Synod contributed. Goldsboro church contributed the largest amount, $70, but Turkey Cove church made the largest contribution per member, i. e. $1.37½ per member. Some of the largest churches of Synod contributed nothing.

In view of these facts we recommend 1st, that Synod now declare that the Bible Cause is one of the most important to which we contribute. 2d. That all our ministers be urged to inform themselves more fully in regard to the work of the American Bible Society and that they endeavor to awaken more interest among our people in this great cause. 3d. That all our churches be urged to contribute to the Bible Cause. 4th. That our ministers, Sunday School Superintendents and people generally, be urged to co-operate with the Society in its commendable effort to put a Bible in the hands of every child that can read. And 5th. We cordially commend Rev. T. H. Law, D. D., Agent for the American Bible Society for North and South Carolina, to our ministers and people wherever he may go among us in the furtherance of this work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. MILLER, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF REGENTS OF ORPHANS' HOME.

DEAR BRETHREN:—The Regents of the Orphans' Home would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, by the blessing of God, they have been enabled to carry out the directions of the Synod, and that the home is in successful operation in property of our own, with many of the conveniencies necessary for the work.

I.—OF MEETINGS.

The Board of Regents have held four meetings and the attendance of members has been as follows:

Report of Regents of Orphans' Home.

(1.) J. Rumple, President, attended 4 times, absent 0, excused 0; (2.) Jno. E. Oates, Treasurer, attended 4 times absent 0, excused 0; (3.) W. R. McLelland, Secretary, attended 4 times, absent 0, excused 0; (4.) Geo. E. Wilson, attended 4 times, absent 0, excused 0; (5.) W. E. McIlwain, attended 2, absent 1, excused 1; (6.) Geo. Chadbourn, attended 1 time, absent 2, deceased; (7.) G. M. Lore, attended 0 times, absent 4, excused 0; (8.) D. I. Craig, attended 2 times, absent 2, excused 2; (9.) A. Leazar, attended 3 times, absent 1, excused 0; (10.) S. H. Wiley, attended 4 times, absent 0, excused 0.

We would respectfully report that Mr. Geo. Chadbourn, of the fourth class has been removed by death, and that the Regents, according to the Constitution adopted by them, elected Col. Jno. L. Brown, of Charlotte, to serve in his place, until the meeting of Synod. They further report that the term of Rev. W. E. McIlwain and Geo. E. Wilson expires at this meeting of Synod and that S. H. Wiley, Esq., of the class of 1895, tenders his resignation.

II.—OF THE CHARTER, CONSTITUTION, ETC.

The committee appointed at your last meeting to secure a Charter for your Orphans' Home attended to the duty assigned, and have secured a very satisfactory charter from our State Legislature. At their meeting after its enactment, the Regents accepted the Charter and organized according to its provisions by electing Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., President; Rev. W. R. McLellan, Secretary, and Mr. Jno. E. Oates, of Charlotte, Treasurer. A printed copy of this charter is herewith presented, and is furnished for distribution.

The Regents have also prepared a constitution, which has been adopted by them, and is printed along with the charter. Also, a form of application for admission to be used by those seeking to enter orphans into the Home. Copies of these are herewith furnished.

III.—CHANGE OF LOCATION.

In obediance to the instructions of the Synod at its last meeting, the Board of Regents proceeded to purchase from Davidson College for the sum of one thousand dollars, the Barium Springs Hotel property, five miles south of Statesville, lying on the A. T. & O. Railroad, containing thirty-two acres of land, with a hotel building containing thirty rooms. They also purchased as much of the woodland in front as was on the market. The hotel building has been put in good repair, all the rooms furnished, and the building tastefully painted inside and outside. The grounds have also been put in good order, the agricultural lands placed under cultivation, an orchard and vineyard planted, and the entire premises as fully improved as our time and means would allow. The entire cost of the lands, buildings and improvements, including household, kitchen and school furniture, amounted to $2,222.58. This was $81.18 more than the real estate fund in the hands of the Treasurer amounted to, and had to be drawn from the current fund.

IV.—OFFICERS OF THE HOME.

After due public notice the Regents proceeded on Dec. 18th, 1891, to elect a superintendent and matron for the Home. From a large number of worthy applicants, the Rev. R W Boyd, of Mecklenburg, was chosen as the superintendent, at a salary of $750 per annum and board, Mrs. R. W. Boyd as matron, at a salary of $150 per annum and board.

At the re-organization, under the charter, April 24th, 1891. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd were re-elected to the same places, on the same terms, and in addition, Miss Blanche Boyd was elected teacher, at a salary of $100 per annum and board, and further it was agreed that no board would be charged for Mr. Boyd's youngest daughter.

The experience of ten months has confirmed the judgement of the Regents in the selection of officers for the Home. The administration of Mr. Boyd and his co-adjutors has been entirely satisfactory to the Regents. The Home has been re-organized, the orphans fed, clothed, taught and trained in such a manner as to give promise of future usefulness. The buildings, grounds, farm, garden and orchard have been arranged and beautified under his experienced hands in a thoroughly practical and tasteful manner. Our only regret is that members of the Synod cannot all see for themselves the satisfactory work that has been so soon accomplished.

V.—A FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The account of Mr. John E. Oates, our efficient treasurer, is herewith presented for information The account has been audited by the Regents and found to be correct and the payments sustained by proper vouchers. The account begins October 1st, 1890, with a balance to current fund of $1,220.12; to organ fund, $16.45; to real estate fund, $1,884.60 Total on hand, $3,121.17. The receipts to the current expense fund during the year amounted to $2,680.86. This added to balance on hand, $1,220.12, made a total of this fund of $3,900 98. The disbursement of this fund was $3,532.51, leaving a balance, September 30th, 1890, of $368.47.

From this statement the Synod will see that the balance on hand this year is only $368.47, while last year it was $1,220.12, or $831.65 less than last year. In fact, deducting the amount paid from the current to the real estate fund, there remains only a balance of $267.74. Brethren will see the importance of more general and larger collections being made at an early day, to sustain the institution during the months of the winter now rapidly approaching.

An examination of the treasurer's accounts reveal the painful fact that a large number of our churches have contributed nothing during the year to the support of the Home

Of the 23 churches of Albemarle Presbytery, 7 contributed and 16 did not; of the 49 churches of Concord Presbytery, 24 contributed and 25 did not; of the 64 churches of Fayetteville Presbytery, 17 contributed and 47 did not; of the 67 churches of Mecklenburg Presbytery, 31 contributed and 36 did not; of the 40 churches of Orange Presbytery, 14 contributed and 26 did not; of the 39 churches of Wilmington Presbytery, 8 contributed and 31 did not. Of the 282 churches of the Synod 101 contributed and 181 did not.

Nearly 36 per cent. of our churches contributed and a fraction over 64 per cent. did not. And among the non-contributing there are numbers of really strong churches—about thirty of them having over 100 members each. Among the contributing churches several sent in two, three and four collections during the year. Besides this a considerable number of individuals sent in personal contributions. In view of the fact that little over one-third of our churches gave anything to this cause it seems manifest that no opportunity was given them to contribute, else something, however small, would have been given. Your Board of Regents would earnestly appeal to all our ministers and sessions to see that an opportunity shall be afforded to all our members to remember the orphans in their prayers and generâl benefactions.

VI.—THE HOME AND ITS INMATES.

Rev. R. W. Boyd and family removed to the Home December 29th, 1890, and on January 14th, 1891, the children came. Eleven came from Charlotte, and twenty-seven have been received since. Seven of the children have been returned to their friends, and two having reached the age of sixteen years have been provided for in good homes. Two were placed in families, but one of these has been returned. There are twenty eight now in the home, and five new applications have been approved and the children expected daily.

The Board of Regents have been there several times, and the President has been often there, witnessing the management, training, clothing and supporting of the children; and the impression made is that everything is done for the children that we could reasonably expect. The children are healthy and happy, industrious and obedient. In fact you will seldom, if ever, meet a group of children anywhere that give better evidence of kind attention, and careful training. We feel confident that they will be well fitted for usefulness in the Church of God, and in society.

VII —THE WANTS OF THE ORPHANS' HOME.

It is doubtless the design of the Synod to enlarge the capacity and accommodations of the Home so as to meet all reasonable demands that may be

made upon it. And there is every reason to believe that as the Institution becomes known to our people there will be a large increase in applications for the entrance of indigent orphans into its sheltering apartments.

1. And first there will soon be need for more land. We have only about thirty-seven acres, and nearly all this is already brought into use for garden, orchard, farm and pasturage. As our boys grow stronger, and more come in, we shall soon be straitened for want of land. There are contiguous lands that the Regents hope will be offered for sale, and they desire to be placed in a condition to purchase when opportunity offers.

2. And secondly there are certain conveniences and buildings that are needed at once, and others that will be required before many more children can be taken in. Particularly a windmill or hydraulic ram for raising water, and a laundry establishment are needed at once. It is understood that no servants are hired in the home, but that the children do all the house-keeping, cooking, washing, ironing, mending, wood-chopping and fire-making themselves. It is therefore important that they should have as many conveniences as can be supplied

Again, there is immediate and urgent need for an infirmary. Our building contains but thirty rooms, and about ten or twelve of these are required for kitchen, storeroom, dining room, school rooms, parlor and apartments for the superintendent and his family. This leaves but about 18 rooms for sleeping apartments, and with three to each room the largest number that ought to be placed in one room, we have accommodations for about fifty-four children. With over thirty there already and the number increasing, it will be impossible in case of epidemic or contagious diseases to keep the sick ones in the rooms at our command. Besides it is better to have the sick in a separate building to prevent the spread of disease. It is therefore important that we should have a cottage infirmary of four or six rooms quite soon. It is further desirable that we should have a printing outfit, and other implements for mechanical work at an early day. The printing outfit is a first class desideratum. Besides teaching the boys a useful trade, it will enable the superintendent to print circulars, reports and a periodical, at small expense, and thus keep the condition and claims of the Home before the Presbyterians of North Carolina.

Upon the supposition—which is extremely probable—that we shall have one hundred children before two years, there will be need for another building of the same capacity as the present one, within that period. This will enable the superintendent to accommodate the boys and girls in separate buildings—an arrangement extremely desirable, as our children approach the age of sixteen years—the limit of their stay in the Home.

These accommodations are to be provided, of course gradually, but if we would be ready for the emergencies as they arise, it is important that we begin at once to accumulate a real estate and building fund. In other institutions of this kind, certain individuals, or companies of individuals, or churches, have undertaken the work of providing certain buildings and outfits. May we not expect that some of our more opulent generous members or churches will undertake the work of providing some or all these necessary things? Our Superintendent, or any member of the Board of Regents will cheerfully confer with any such parties, and furnish all necessary information.

In conclusion the Regents desire to commend the Home in the affections and prayers of the kind hearted and liberal Presbyterians of North Carolina believing that God has put into their hearts to establish it, and that He will sustain it in answer to their prayers

By order of the Regents J. RUMPLE,

Salisbury, N. C., November 9th. *President.*

E.

STANDING RULES OF SYNOD.

REVISED NOVEMBER 1883.

I. OF ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCE.

1. The stated clerk, the pastor of the church in which the Synod holds its annual session, and the delegates of the session of said church shall constitute a Committee of Enrollment, who shall, at a convenient hour before the opening of the Synod, prepare the Roll of the Synod. And to the Committee of Enrollment shall each member report for enrollment upon appearing at Synod.

2. It shall be the duty of each member, unless released by a vote of the Synod, when providentially prevented from attending the Synod, to address a letter to the Moderator, stating reasons for his detention.

3. The Moderator shall at every meeting appoint a Standing Committee on Leave of Absence. To this committee all excuses for absence or late attendance, and for the latter, on the part of ruling elders as well as ministers, shall be rendered. The roll shall be called before final adjournment, and those absent without permission shall be called to answer for such irregularity.

II. OF THE OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES OF SYNOD.

4. A majority of all the votes given shall be necessary in the election of the officers of the Synod.

5. The Treasurer shall submit to the Synod annually his book, together with a report of receipts and expenditures, presenting vouchers for the same.

6. The Trustees of Synod shall be elected every four years, and they shall present annually a full written report of the funds in their hands.

7. Agents shall be appointed on each of the following departments of the Church's work, viz: Foreign Missions, Sustentation, Education, Publication, Evangelistic Labor, and Sabbath Schools. And it shall be the duty of these agents to take into consideration the whole field committed to their supervision, and to present at each meeting of the Synod a written report of all that is doing within the bounds of Synod on the subjects severally assigned to them. The agents for these respective subjects, or chairmen of committees, in the several Presbyteries, shall forward to the Synodical Agents such reports as are needful in the preparation of their reports to the Synod. And the Synod shall appoint Orders of the Day for each of

these causes at each annual meeting. In connection with the Order for Evangelistic Labor, the Synod will hear reports from Presbyterial Agents and Evangelists. And in connection with the consideration of Foreign Missions, a collection may also be taken for this object.

III OF COMMITTEES.

8. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting, to whom the Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries shall be referred; and this committee shall condense the same and report to the Synod any matter contained in these reports calling for action by this body.

9. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to whom the reports of the Presbyteries on Systematic Beneficence shall be referred; and this committee shall condense the same and report to the Synod, recommending any action called for on the subject. The Presbyterial Reports shall cover the fiscal year of the Assembly.

10. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to examine the Synodical Records and report thereon.

IV. OF THE STATED CLERK AND THE MINUTES.

11. The Stated Clerk shall forward to the Librarian of Union Theological Seminary and the Librarian of Davidson College, the Secretary of the Presbyterian Historical Society, and the Secretary of the North Carolina Historical Society, a copy of the Minutes of the Synod as published annually.

12 He shall issue and sign certificates whenever necessary for the return of members and their families on the railroads of the State to their homes.

13. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes the reports of the Presbyteries furnishing statistics to the Synod; the statistics of the annual reports of the Synodical Agents, when approved by the Synod, requesting, on behalf of the Synod, the publication of the full reports in the *North Carolina Presbyterian;* a list of the officers and appointees of the Synod; the Standing Rules of the Synod, and a Docket of the business of the Synod at its next annual meeting.

14. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes, at least once in five years, the names of Ruling Elders and Deacons, with their respective postoffices, belonging to the churches composing the Synod; and the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries shall forward to the Stated Clerk of the Synod the information necessary for the execution of this rule.

V. MISCELLANEOUS.

15. The Parliamentary Rules adopted by the General Assembly for 1886, and since that time observed by them, shall be the rules for the guidance of this Synod.

Standing Rules.

16. The Directors of the Union Theological Seminary appointed by this Synod, shall render excuse to the Synod for non-attendance on any meeting of the Board, and if so absent without assigning sufficient excuse, his seat in the Board will be declared vacant.

17. It was ordered that it be a Standing Rule of Synod that hereafter the Synodical Communion be celebrated on Thursday evening. (Minutes 1883, page 402.)

18. The election of Stated Clerk and Synodical Agents shall be held in 1886, and every three years thereafter—the former to enter upon his duties at the opening of the Synod immediately succeeding that at which he is elected, and the latter to enter upon their duties immediately after the adjournment of the Synod which elected them. (Minutes 1883, p. 240.)

19. It was made a Standing Rule that the Roll be called at the opening of the Synod, that those who have been enrolled by the Committee of Enrollment may answer to their names. (Minutes 1885, p. 612.)

20. The Committee on Leave of Absence was instructed not to grant leaves of absence except for urgent reasons; and the Stated Clerk was directed to enter this action upon the Docket of the next Synod for information and caution to members of the committee and of the Synod. (Minutes 1885, p. 615.)

21. When a vacancy occurs by death, resignation or removal beyond our bounds, in any of the offices of Synod (including the Stated Clerk, Agents and Directors of Union Theological Seminary) the Moderator is empowered to fill such vacancy until the next meeting of Synod, except in the case of those officers who are the heads of Synodical Committees, when the Committee shall fill the vacancy. (Minutes 1891, p. 579.)

F.

GENERAL DIRECTORY.

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

	Moderators.	Place of Meeting.
1813.	*Rev Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814.	*Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	*Rev. Wm. McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	*Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818.	*Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D. D	Fayetteville.
1819.	*Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, D. D	Raleigh.
1820.	*Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	*Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	*Rev. John Robinson	Hillsborough.
1823.	*Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	*Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	*Rev. John B. Davis	Greensborough.
1826.	*Rev. Wm. McPheeters, D. D	Fayetteville,
1827.	*Rev, R. H. Morrison, D. D	Salisbury.
	[The stated clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding meetings.]	
1828.	*Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829.	*Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830.	*Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell.
1831.	*Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsborough.
1832.	*Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	*Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	*Rev. James W. Douglass	Oxford.
1835.	*Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836.	*Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	*Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh.
1838.	*Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839.	*Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	*Rev. Alexander Wilson, D. D	Danville, Va.
1841.	*Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842.	*Rev. Walter S. Pharr	Poplar Tent.

*Deceased.

Moderators of Synod.

	Moderators.	Place of Meeting.
1843.	*Rev. James Phillips	Raleigh.
1844.	*Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845.	*Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.
1846.	*Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensborough.
1847.	*Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville.
1848.	*Rev. Cyrus Johnston	Salisbury.
1849.	*Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsborough
1850.	*Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre
1851.	*Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River.
1852.	*Rev. Wm. N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853.	*Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington.
1854.	*Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855.	*Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D. D	Greensborough.
1856.	Rev. Neill McKay, D. D	Fayetteville.
1857.	*Rev. Walter W. Pharr, D. D	Charlotte.
1858.	*Rev. Jacob Doll	Newbern.
1859.	*Rev. F. K. Nash	Wilmington.
1860.	*Rev. R. H. Lafferty	Statesville.
1861.	*Rev. Edward Hines	Raleigh.
1862.	*Rev. John M. Sherwood	Goldsborough.
1863.	*Rev. R. N. Davis	Salisbury.
1864.	*Rev. A. G. Hughes	Greensborough.
1865.	Rev. Colin Shaw	Fayetteville.
1866.	*Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D. D	Charlotte.
1867.	Rev. Archibald Currie	Newbern.
1868.	Rev. D. D. McBryde	Wilmington.
1869.	*Rev. Jesse Rankin	Morganton.
1870.	*Rev. R. A. Stanfield	Raleigh.
1871	Rev. J. P. McPherson	Fayetteville.
1872.	Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D. D	Charlotte.
1873.	*Rev. James M. Sprunt	Wilmington.
1874.	Rev. J. Rumple. D. D	Concord.
1875.	Rev. P. H. Dalton	Greensborough.
1876.	*Rev. Martin McQueen	Fayetteville.
1877.	*Rev. John Douglass	Charlotte.
1878	Rev. Joseph B. Wilson, D. D	Goldsborough.
1879.	*Rev. E. F. Rockwell, D. D	Statesville.
1880.	Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D	Raleigh.
1881.	Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D	Salisbury.

*Deceased.

Moderators of Synod. Officers and Appointees of Synod.

	Moderators.	Place of Meeting.
1882.	Rev. L. McKinnon, D. D.	Asheville.
1883.	Rev. F. H. Johnson, D. D.	Wilmington.
1884.	*Rev. P. T. Penick	Winston.
1885.	*Rev. J. C. Alexander	Reidsville.
1886.	Rev. John W. Primrose	Concord.
1887.	Rev. R. Z. Johnston	Fayetteville.
1888.	Hon. A. M. Scales	Goldsborough.
1889.	Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D.	Charlotte.
1890.	Rev. Alexander Sprunt	Wilmington.
1891.	Rev. W. E. McIlwain	Durham.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—MEMBERS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS FROM SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1895.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Rev. D. D. McBryde,
Prof. Wm. J. Martin, L. L. D., Ruling Elder.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1894.

Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D.,
Mr C. E. Graham, Ruling Elder.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1893.

Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Rev. Alexander Sprunt,
Mr. B. F. Hall, Ruling Elder.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1892.

Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.,
Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, Ruling Elder.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813. *Rev. Robt. H. Chapman.
1818. *Rev. Colin McIver,
1849. *Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. *Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. *Rev. Jacob Doll.
1878. Rev. Wm. S. Lacy.
1886. Rev. J. A. Ramsay.
Hickory, N. C.

*Deceased.

Officers and Appointees of Synod.

AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. W. S. P. Bryan.....Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. W. R. McLelland.....Agent of Education.
Rev. E. W. Smith.....Agent of Publication.
Rev. A. R. Shaw.....Agent of Sabbath Schools.

To go out in 1892.

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. I. H. Foust.....Salisbury, N. C.

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1895.

Col. John E. Brown (Chairman).....Charlotte.
Col. J. B. Rankin.....Charlotte.
Mr. J. L. Brown.....Charlotte.
Mr. R. M. Oates.....Charlotte.
Hon. A. C. Avery.....Morganton.
Mr. D. F. Cannon.....Concord.
Mr. E. B. Stimson.....Statesville.

STATED CLERKS OF PRESBYTERIES

Orange—Rev. H. T. Darnall.....Durham.
Concord—Rev. Wm. W. Pharr.....Mooresville.
Fayetteville—Rev. P. R. Law.....Lumberton.
Wilmington—Rev A. McFadyen.....Clarkton.
Mecklenburg—Rev. R. Z Johnston.....Lincolnton.
Albemarle—Rev. J. N. H. Summerell.....Tarboro.

REGENTS OF ORPHANS' HOME.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FIVE YEARS.

To go out in 1896.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Geo. E. Wilson, Esqr.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1895.

Rev. W. R. McLelland, O. D. Davis, Esqr.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1894.

Hon. A. Leazer, Mr. John E. Oates.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1893.

Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Rev. D. I. Craig.

FIFTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1892.

Col. John L. Brown, Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.

REGENTS OF SOUTH ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS

To go out in 1894.

Judge T. B. Womack.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1893.

Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1892.

Rev. John S. Watkins, D. D.

ROLL OF MINISTERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SYNOD.

1891.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1. Thomas U. Faucette	Milton.
2. J. Henry Smith, D. D.	Greensboro.
3. C. N. Morrow	Hawthorne, Fla.
4 H. T. Darnall	Durham.
5. Jas. L. Currie	Burlington.
6. D. I. Craig	Reidsville.
7. W. F. Wilhelm	Hillsboro.
8. E. W. Smith	Greensboro.
9. S. O Hall	Madison.
10. R. W. Culbertson	McLeansville.
11. E P. Davis	Winston.
12. J. H. Lacy	Greensboro.
13. J. E. Fogartie	Chapel Hill.
14. W. S. Campbell	Milton.
15. J. C. Dinwiddie	High Point.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
16. W. P. McCorkle	Lexington.
17 G. A. Wilson	Mebanes.
18. W. R. Coppedge	Graham.
19. J. J. Harrell, F. M	
20. S. G. Walker, (col'd)	Greensboro.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1. B. L. Beall	Lenoir.
2. P. H. Dalton	Mocksville.
3. J. Rumple, D. D	Salisbury.
4. Wm. W. Pharr, D. D	Mooresville.
5. W. A. Wood, D. D	Statesville.
6. A. L. Crawford	Tayloysville.
7. J. B. Shearer, D. D	Davidson.
8. L. McKinnon, D. D	Clinton.
9. J. M. Wharey, D. D	Mooresville.
10. John W. Davis, D. D	Soochow, China.
11. C. M. Payne, D. D	Concord.
12. J. A. Ramsay	Hickory.
13. C. A. Munroe	Lenoir.
14. W. R. McLeiland	Statesville.
15. J. G. Anderson	Harrisburg.
16. C. Miller	Woodleaf.
17. H. G. Gilland	Concord.
18. R. S. Arrowood	Elmwood.
19. D. Munroe	Newton.
20. A. T. Graham	Davidson.
21. C. W. Maxwell	Lexington.
22. J. M. Greenlee	Marion.
23. E. E. Pressley	Fancy Hill.
24. J. P. Marion	Morganton.
25. W. H. White	Marion.
26. J. C. Kennedy	
27. R P. Pell	Linville City.
28. R. W. Boyd	Troutman's.

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1. J. P. McPherson	Jonesboro.
2. N. McKay, D. D	Lillington.
3. A. McMillan	Laurinburg.

Roll of Ministers. Fayetteville. Wilmington. Mecklenburg.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
4.	D. D. McBryde	Little River Academy.
5.	Jas. McQueen	Swann's Station.
6.	A. McQueen	Queensdale.
7.	H. G. Hill, D. D.	Maxton.
8.	David Fairley	Manchester.
9.	A. H. Ferguson	Laurinburg.
10.	K. M. McIntyre	Endicott.
11.	Joseph Evans	Plainville.
12.	J. S. Black	Athens.
13.	A. R. Shaw	Carthage.
14.	P. R. Law	Lumberton.
15.	A. Currie	Carthage.
16.	K. A. McLeod	Endicott.
17.	J. M. Clark	Melrose.
18.	J. W. Johnston	Aberdeen.
19.	W. F. Thom	Ore Hill
20.	G. A. Hough	Worthville.
21.	M. A. McIver	Rockingham.
22.	M. McG. Shields	
23.	D. N. McLaughlin	

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	D. B. Black	Burgaw.
2.	Colin Shaw	Magnolia.
3.	James Kelly	Clarkton.
4.	B. F. Marable, D. D.	Clinton.
5.	A. McFadyen	Clarkton.
6.	Geo. W. McMillan	Whiteville.
7.	K. McDonald	Magruder.
8.	A. D. McClure	Wilmington.
9	Peyton H. Hoge, D. D.	Wilmington.
10.	J. D. Stanford	Kenansville.
11.	J. J. Hines	Riverdale.
12.	Peter McIntyre	Faisons.
13.	W. McC. Miller	Wilmington.
14.	M. Jerkins, (colored)	

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	J. E. Morrison	Morven.
2.	J D. Hall	Belmont.
3.	Wm. Graves	Mills River.

Roll of Ministers. Mecklenburg. Albemarle.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
4. A. W. Miller, D. D.	Charlotte.
5. G. D. Parks	Charlotte.
6. R. Z. Johnston	Lincolnton.
7. J. J. Kennedy	Sandifer.
8. D. T. Towles	Crab Tree.
9. Wm. E. McIlwain	Gastonia.
10. R. A. Miller	Lowell.
11. D. P. Robinson	Palestine, Texas.
12. C. W. Robinson	Charlotte.
13. E. A. Sample	King's Mountain.
14. T A. Wharton	Charlotte.
15. W. S P. Bryan	Asheville.
16. J. R. McAlpine	Huntersville.
17. J. L. Williamson	Charlotte.
18. W. B. Arrowood	Matthews.
19. S. C. Boyce	Wolfesville.
20. Wm. J. Erdman	Asheville.
21. M. A. Henderson	Brittain.
22. Roger Martin	Davenport.
23. W. C. C. Foster	Pleasant Ridge.
24. R. C. Reid, D. D	Charlotte.
25. Frank D. Hunt	Hendersonville.
26. R. S. Brown	Murphy.
27. J. B. Cochran	Monteiths.
28. John W. Moore	Koochi, Japan.
29. M R. Kirkpatrick	Wadesboro.
30. Geo. A. Sparrow	Rutherfordton.
31. J. T. Wade	Pineville.
32. H. M. Dixon	Monroe.
33. Jonas Barclay	Polkton.
34. W. J. Williams	Hendersonville.
35. L. H. Baldwin	Asheville.
36. J. S. Morrow (colored)	Asheville.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers	*Post Office.*
1. Robert Burwell, D. D	Raleigh.
2. J. S. Watkins, D. D	Raleigh.
3. J. N. H. Summerell	Tarboro.
4. S. H. Isler	Goldsboro.
5. Alexander Sprunt	Wilmington.

Roll of Ministers. Albemarle.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
6. Carr Moore	Townesville.
7. J. B. Swann	Scotland Neck.
8. W. D. Morton, D. D	Henderson.
9. Edward Mack	Goldsboro.
10. F. H. Johnston, D. D	Elizabeth City.
11. Joseph Rennie	Oxford.
12. E. E. Bigger	Washington.
13. C. G. Vardell	New Berne.
14. A. J. McKelway	
15. A. H. McArn	

Docket.

G.

DAILY ORDER OF BUSINESS.

[From 22nd Rule of the Rules of Parliamentary Order, Approved by the Synod. See Standing Rule 15.]

1. Prayer.
2. Minutes read.
3. Presentation of Papers—

   (*a*), Communications addressed to the body;
   (*b*), Reports of Standing Committees;
   (*c*), Reports of Select Committees;
   (*d*), Resolutions.

[Each of which papers may, by unanimous consent, be taken up immediately on presentation; but if objection be made, it shall be docketed.]

4. The Unfinished Business in which the Court was engaged at the last preceding adjournment in preference to the Orders of the day.

[But such Unfinished Business may, on motion, without debate, be laid on the table to proceed with the Special Order.]

5. The Order of the Day.
6. Regular Docket.

[Motions to elect officers, to appoint committees, and to enroll members, shall always be in order, unless a member is speaking or the Court is voting.]

Note.—If the Unfinished Business be laid on the table in order to proceed with the Order of the Day, when the order has been disposed of, such Unfinished Business has precedence of the Regular Docket.

H.

DOCKET.

OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE HELD IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STATESVILLE, N C., ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH, 1892, AT 7:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

I. Prayer.
II. Report of Committee of Eurollment.
III. Moderator Chosen.
IV. Temporary Clerks Chosen.
V. Minutes of last Annual Meeting of Synod read.
VI. Standing Committees Announced—

1. Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. Address to the Churches on the State of Religion.
4. Systematic Beneficence.
5. Minutes of the General Assembly.
6. Union Theological Seminary.
7. Treasurer's Books.
8. Report of the Trustees of Synod.
9. Devotional Exercises.
10. Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries.
11. Synodical Records.
12. Leave of Absence.

VII. Committee to Review Records of Presbyteries Announced—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

VIII. Excuses for absence from last Meeting of Synod Referred.

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IX. Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

X. Narratives of the State of Religion Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

XI. Reports of Presbyteries on Systematic Beneficence Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

XII. Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary Read and Referred.

XIII. Appointment of Directors of Union Theological Seminary Referred.

[NOTE.—The term of office of the Fourth Class expires at this meeting of Synod, viz: Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D, Rev. H G. Hill, D. D. and Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, Ruling Elder.]

XIV. Synodical and Presbyterial Records Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.
7. The Synod.

XV. Report of the Trustees of Synod (Col. John E. Brown, Chairman) Read and Referred.

XVI. Report of the Treasurer of Synod Read and Referred.

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XVII. Appointment of Orders of the Day.

XVIII. Reports of Synodical Agents Read—

1. Education, Rev. W. R. McLelland.
2. Publication, Rev. E. W. Smith.
3. Foreign Missions, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan.
4. Sabbath Schools, Rev. A R. Shaw.

XIX. Election of Synodical Agents.

XX. Election of Stated Clerk of Synod.

XXI. Election of Chairman or Superintendent of Synodical Missions.

XXII. Report of Synodical Historical Committee, Rev. J. A. Ramsay, Chairman.

XXIII. Report of Synodical Evangelistic Committee, Rev. Alexander Sprunt, Chairman.

XXIV. Report of the Board of Regency of the Orphans' Home, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., President.

XXV. Report of Committee on Bible Cause, Rev. C. Miller, Chairman.

XXVI. Report of Committee on Church and Christian Education, Rev. A. T. Graham, Chairman

XXVII. Synodical Communion on Thursday evening as provided for by Rule 17.

XXVIII. Place and Time of Next Meeting of Synod.

XXIX. How many copies of Minutes shall be Published?

XXX. Statistical Report to General Assembly adopted.

XXXI. Roll called before final Adjournment.

XXXII. Minutes Read and Approved.

XXXIII. Adjournment with Singing, Prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.